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Incorporating REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING
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WORLD OF RADIO 1569 headlines:

*Special announcement about WOR, WWCR and IPAR
*DX and station news about Antarctica and non, Colombia, Papua New Guinea, Sarawak non;
[repeated from last week:] Australia, Brazil, China non, Ecuador, Europe, Georgia, Koreas, Libya non, Netherlands, Pakistan, Portugal, Sudan non, unidentified

SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1569, June 16-22, 2011

Thu 2100	WRMI	9955	[confirmed]
Thu 2130	WBCQ	7415	[NEW; confirmed on webcast]
Fri 0330	WWRB	5050	[confirmed]
Fri 1430	WRMI	9955	
Sat 0800	WRMI	9955	
Sat 1500	WRMI	9955	[NEW; confirmed on webcast]
Sat 1730	WRMI	9955	
Sun 0800	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1530	WRMI	9955	
Sun 1730	WRMI	9955	
Mon 1130	WRMI	9955	
Mon 1530	WRMI	9955	[NEW]
Mon 2130	WRMI	9955	
Tue 1530	WRMI	9955	
Wed 1530	WRMI	9955	
Wed 2130	WBCQ	7415	[or 2115, or 2100]
Thu 0330	WRMI	9955	

Thu 1500 WRMI 9955

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<http://193.42.152.193/listeners/stations/station.php?StationID=24>

WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS VIA WRN:

<http://www.wrn.org/wrn-listeners/world-of-radio/>

<http://www.wrn.org/listeners/world-of-radio/rss/09:00:00UTC/English/541>

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or <http://wor.worldofradio.org>

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<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/>

EDITOR'S NOTE: This was a much-needed week-off, more or less, meaning that we have inevitably fallen way behind in plowing thru all our usual sources. But we don't want to delay this week's DXLD any longer, so here's what has been compiled so far, without the usual depth and synergy. We shall try as best we can to catch up in following week(s).
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** ANTARCTICA. 15476, completing another week of LRA36 absence, June 10 at 1302 no signal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15476.0, LRA36 (presumed). Yes, they are back again! Heard open carrier (below threshold level) on June 14 at 1337; by 1403 could hear a YL in Spanish playing some music; 1415 slightly better with YL chatting with young girl and playing a ballad in Spanish. Nice to have them back again after a short absence (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÜn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Only 800-1000 watt on air (Roberto Scaglione, Sicily,

<http://www.bclnews.it> ibid.)

15476, LRA36 is back. June 16 I started monitoring at 1232 with my usual BFO technique tuned to 15475, and on came a very weak carrier at *1235:50, S2 on the meter; 1242 imagination-level trace of music maybe, now S3 peaking to S7. 1259 still JBA carrier, but now the FRG-7 meter is 'resting' at S6 on open channels with no perceptible increased background noise level; maybe thrown off by a stronger signal up the band desensitizing it? Attenuation makes no difference in that reading. 15476 about the same JBA at 1342, 1350 at S2 again. Ron Howard in California first heard LRA36 back on June 14, but I was not rechecking for it until now. Roberto Scaglione says they are running only 800 to 1000 watts (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15476, since LRA36 was detectable again on June 16, I expect to hear it on June 17, trying from 1230, but nothing; 1232 I think I may hear a carrier beat, but cannot be sure, and no further signs of it at 1242, 1254. Is this another holiday back in the homeland? No, but per list in DXLD 11-21, June 15 was, a day I did not check and Ron Howard did not report it either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTARCTICA [non]. BAS MIDWINTER BROADCAST --- Hello Glenn, I just received today this mail from BBC World Service regarding the next BBC Midwinter Broadcast. Regards from France, Christian Ghibaudo, Nice

Dear Christian, Here are the frequencies for the British Antarctic Survey Antarctic Midwinter broadcast, which have now been confirmed:

21 June 2011 21:30-22:00 GMT

7295 kHz (from UK)
5950 kHz (from UK)
7360 kHz (from Ascension Island)
9850 kHz (from UK)

Best regards, Audience Information, BBC World Service (Letters Worldservice, June 16, via Ghibaudo, WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tuesday only transmission registered by BBC London. Is that a midsummer night solstice event for British Antarctica audience people on June 21 - once again?

Only SINGLE DAY June 21 operation ? to CIRAf zones 69,70,71,72,73,74.

2130-2145 UT Tues June 21 only.

5950 SKN 300 180 0 205 3= Tue English G BBC BAB

7295 RMP 500 180 -10 205 3= Tue English G BBC BAB
7360 ASC 250 207 0 547 3= Tue English G BBC BAB
9850 SKN 300 180 0 216 3= Tue English G BBC BAB

Did they cut the cost from previous 2130-2200 UT - 30 mins to 15 minutes duration this A-11 season? (Wolfgang B, schel, June 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nothing noted on estimated link:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/>

2011/06/110621_antarctic_midwinter_special_2011.shtml

but really found somewhere on bbc worldservice radio program website ?

2010 HISTORY:

ASCENSION ISL/U.K. Last year BBWS had a special midwinter shortwave broadcast to Antarctica on Sunday 21 June 2009 at 2130 UT. It's apparently on every year. I've googled around, but can find no reference to this year's broadcast. So, one to search for. Last year it was on 5950 and 7295 via Rampisham and 7360 via Ascension (Alan Roe-UK, BrDXC-UK June 21, 2010)

Look out for BBCWS special broadcast to Antarctica on June 21. BBC World Service at last has some details on the special half hour Antarctic Midwinter Broadcast tonight:

<<http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/>

2010/06/100621_antarctic_midwinter_special_2010.shtml>

The broadcast can be heard in the South Atlantic on Monday 21 June at 2130-2200 UT on the following short-wave frequencies:

RMP 5950 kHz (49 metre band)

RMP 7295 kHz (41 metre band)

ASC 7360 kHz (41 metre band)

First broadcast 21st June 2010.

(can also listen to the programme via this link)

BBCWS special broadcast to Antarctica from Media Network blog

BBCWS to conduct special midwinter broadcast to Antarctica June 19th, 2009 - 11:56 UTC by Andy Sennitt

The BBC World Service will be making a special midwinter shortwave broadcast to Antarctica on Sunday 21 June at 2130 UTC. The broadcast is directed to members of the British Antarctic Survey, and will be on the following frequencies:

a.. 5950 kHz (from Rampisham, UK)

b.. 7295 kHz (from Rampisham, UK)

c.. 7360 kHz (from Ascension Island)

(Source: Travellin' South blog: <<http://alloutput.com/blog/>>
(Alan Pennington-UK, BrDXC-UK June 21, 2010)

Didn't even try the other two (7295 and 5950), since 7360 was fine
(Rampisham or Ascension?). Brought back happy memories of BBC Calling
the Falklands. Tnx Alan Pennington for alert and very 73 de (Anne
Fanelli-Elma NY-USA, dxld June 21, 2010)

more

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/
2010/06/100621_antarctic_midwinter_special_2010.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/2010/06/100621_antarctic_midwinter_special_2010.shtml)
http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/090619_antarctic_midwinter.shtml
http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/080617_antarctica_midwinter.shtml
(all via Wolfgang B,schel, DXLD)

**** AUSTRALIA. BRAINY BUNCH SUFFERS IN A DUMBED-DOWN WORLD**
Tim Dick June 18, 2011

'Radio National is the place for thoughtful serenity, a refuge from
Alan Jones or Kyle Sandilands.' Photo: Andrew Quilty [caption]

If Radio National is for brainy people, then Australia doesn't have
many: about 2.5 per cent of those in the big five cities listen in.
But they are a fervent lot. When the ABC tinkered with the schedule in
2008 by cutting the religion, media and other shows, it received
thousands of complaints and faced an eloquent but ultimately
ineffective mini-revolt by staff, the highlight of which was when the
host of the doomed Religion Report, Stephen Crittenden, was suspended
for an on-air rant about the cuts.

He told listeners it would "'condemn Radio National to even greater
irrelevance" and "that such a decision has been taken in an era when
religion vies with economics as a determinant of everything that's
going on in the world almost beggars belief".

A few years on, the hyperbole has died down, leaving the gist of his
outburst proven largely right, with obvious gaps in its coverage.

The station is intended to be the home of complex ideas on a medium
more famous for over-simplification. It is the place for thoughtful
serenity, a refuge from Alan Jones on 2GB or Kyle Sandilands on 2DayFM
pontificating about whomever might have had the temerity to displease
their sensitivities on any given morning.

Radio National may not be the most popular station on the dial, but
its importance to the nation in nurturing ideas, creativity and
thought is far more valuable than winning big ratings, which are the
existential targets of commercial stations.

Without dedicated programs to the media or religion, Radio National's schedule is incomplete, something we must hope ABC executives will rectify in their current review of the station.

It is anxious that an already old audience is ageing further, and wants to encourage younger people to start listening without losing its appeal as a smart station.

It is talking to staff about what to include and what to cut, with on-air changes not expected until next year.

While the public broadcaster is tinkering with one station's schedule, the private ones are in a lather over who will buy a suite of stations from Fairfax Media, publisher of the Herald, including 2UE in Sydney and the dominant talk station in Melbourne, 3AW. . . Read more:
<http://www.smh.com.au/opinion/society-and-culture/brainy-bunch-suffers-in-a-dumbeddown-world-20110617-1g7x6.html#ixzz1Pat0V9Mp>
(via Kim Andrew Elliott, DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. 4750, Bangladesh Betar verified with a full data iChildren Are Crossing Bamboo Bridge, Bangladeshî card in 46 days with short personal letter from v/s Abu Tabib Md. Zia Hasan, Senior Engineer, Research and Receiving center. A nice iwall of stampsî covered the back of the envelope (Richard DiAngelo/NASWA, Wyomissing, U.S.A., DSWCI DX Window June 15 via DXLD)

** BOTSWANA. Re 11-23: Hi Glenn, Just FYI, most of the ARDXC uncredited MW logs, including Botswana, were mine. Must have been an oversight when Johnno Wright put his column together. Hope you are well. TV here has had extensive coverage of all the tornadoes, flooding, etc., back in the States. Take care (David Sharp, NSW, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4865,027 - 4865,034 28.5 2300 R Verdes Florestas. SÅ h%r kommenterar Henrik Klemetz min inspelning frÅn denna dag: Mycket svÅrl%st men det verkar vara ett prefix-baserat anrop ZYF204 och ZYF203 med resp. frekvenser. "Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre, Brasil" s%ger mannen i slutet av anropet tror jag. Vad damen pratar om vÅgar jag inte ha nÅgon Åsikt om. Men jag tror s%kert att du kan fixa den h%r pÅ nytt. Den b^r k^ra Ave Maria efter A Voz do Brasil f^r det %r en katolsk station. /HK

4865.027 - 4865.034, 28.5 2300, R Verdes Florestas. Henrik Klemetz comments on my recording from that day: Very hard to read but it seems to be a prefix-based call, ZYF204 and ZYF203 with their associated frequencies. "Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre, Brasil" says the man at the end of the call I think. I would not dare to have an opinion about what

the lady is talking about. But I'm sure you can fix a better recording again. They ought to run Ave Maria after A Voz do Brasil because it is a Catholic station. / HK (Henrik Klemetz, Sweden)

Hörde stationen igen den 10.6 kl 2357 på 4865,034 och där fanns det ett tydligt ID.

I heard the station again on June 10 at 2357 on 4865.034 and now there was a clear ID.

HK igen: Anropet går i den här stilen, R Verdes Florestas, onda média ZYF204 940 kHz, onda tropical ZYF203 4865 kHz, Fundação Verdes Florestas, Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre, Brasil. Kan inte säga om det är onda média eller ondas médias, onda tropical eller ondas tropicais men id är klart, damen pratar också om Cruzeiro do Sul /HK

HK again: The call goes like this, R Verdes Florestas, onda média ZYF204 940 kHz, onda tropical ZYF203 4865 kHz, Fundação Verdes Florestas, Cruzeiro do Sul, Acre, Brasil. Can't tell if it is onda média or ondas médias, onda tropical or ondas tropicais but the ID is clear; the lady also talked about Cruzeiro do Sul / HK (Henrik Klemetz, Sweden, ibid.)

Stationen har oftast haft cd strax efter 0010z. Ett stort tack till HK som var rätt klar över att det var denna station redan från första stund. (Enligt WRTH är prefixet ZYH204 för 940? Så också på deras hemsida att de skriver Rádio "Verdes Florestas" Emissora em onda tropical 4.865 kHz e onda média em 940 kHz, så du hörde skert rätt, Henrik.)

The station usually has closedown just after 0010z. Many thanks to HK, who was quite clear that it was this station from the first moment. (According to WRTH the prefix is ZYH204 for 940.) Also saw on their website that they write Rádio "Verdes Florestas" Emissora em onda tropical 4865 kHz e onda média em 940 kHz, so you heard right, Henrik.

Always weak audio and heavily disturbed by Codar. There also is an unID carrier on 4864.405 causing an unpleasant het. TN (Thomas Nilsson, ibid.)

Für alle Besucher der deutschen Sprache --- Seien Sie alle herzlich begrüßt auf dieser Homepage der Diözese Cruzeiro do Sul ã AC/AM, d.h. in den brasilianischen Bundesländern Acre und Amazonas.

Auch wenn Sie nicht oder wenig Portugiesisch verstehen, können Sie über die verschiedenen Links und über die Fotos ein "Bild" der Diözese und unserer Region am Oberlauf des Juruá im Zuzugsgebiet des Amazonas bekommen und die Anschriften der "Paróquias" (= Pfarreien) und

"Comunidades" (= geistlichen Gemeinschaften) erfahren.

Wir wünschen Ihnen einen reichhaltigen Eindruck und nicht zuletzt Kontakte zu hier tätigen deutschen Welt- und Ordenspriestern und Ordensleuten und ihren Werken!

<http://www.diocesecruzeirodosul.org/index.php?s=diocese>

(all: SW Bulletin June 12, Swedish portions translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4878.613, 2.6 0005, R. Roraima, Boa Vista is the one reported here. Their live stream was down so no chance to check this day. Identified June 5 at 0105 with a plain ID as Radio Roraima (= no difusora). TN (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin June 12 via DXLD)

Nosso maior objetivo É levar até você ouvinte de nossa emissora, uma programação gil e moderna porém, sempre com qualidade e feita por profissionais que além de lhe respeitarem, amam o exercício de fazer rádio. Nesta nova etapa da Rádio Roraima, vamos priorizar a produção jornalística e a qualificação de nossa programação, visando sempre levar até você amigo ouvinte o melhor.

Venha fazer parte desta família, seja também nosso parceiro. Sua opinião, suas ideias, em fim, sua participação É fundamental para que juntos possamos transformar a Rádio Roraima em nossa companheira de todos os momentos. Rádio Roraima, Sempre com Você! Barbosa Júnior
Diretor Geral [evidently from website, via ibid.)

4878,614v 2.6 0402 Rdif Roraima, c/d med anrop och nationalsång.
Vibrerande skändare +-2Hz. Skändaren av 04.06. Dagen efter låg stationen på 4878,606. AHK

4878.614v, 2.6 0402, Rdif Roraima, close/down with ID and National Anthem. Unstable transmitter +-2 Hz. Transmitter off at 0406. The next day the station was on 4878.606. AHK (Anders Hultqvist, Sweden, ibid.)

** BRAZIL. 4914.994, 5.6 2359, Radio Daqui with sign off in the middle of a tune but I managed to get a few nice IDs before the transmitter was switched off. Strong signal. Earlier this evening with an extensive transmission from some sort of religious mass or similar without giving any IDs at all. Seems to be the strongest Brazilian recently in the 60 mb. TN (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin June 12 via DXLD)

4915 2.6 2250 R Daqui, Goiânia, med fint ID på hel timmen, då jag trodde det var Difusora do Manaus jag lyssnade på. Q3. HR

4915, 2.6 2250, R Daqui, Goiânia, with a nice ID at TOTH, first I thought it was Difusora do Manaus I was listening to. Q3. HR (Hans

÷stnell, Norway, ibid., translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another on 60m (thanks to Mark again) was R. Daqui on 4915 at fair strength - ID heard. There were traceable signals too on 4985 and 5035 which might have been Brazil, and also something on 4975 - all too weak to ID. But R. Senado had a very strong 20 dB over 9 signal at times on 5990 with typical trans-Equatorial rapid fading (Noel R. Green (NW England), June 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) c 2200 UT

** CANADA. MENOS ESPAÑOL EN RADIO CANADÁ; INTERNACIONAL

Más recortes en la onda corta... Julio Pineda de Guatemala informó a través de ¡Frecuencia al Día! - producido por Dino Bloise <http://programasdx.com/frecuenciaaldia.htm> - que en 11990 kHz a las 0032 UT escuchó el pasado viernes 10 de junio a través de ¡Canadá en las Américas!, el programa cotidiano de Radio Canadá Internacional, con el siguiente anuncio en la voz de Paloma Martínez, locutora del Servicio Latinoamericano de RCI:

‘Aquí brevemente les quiero contar que a partir del 27 de junio próximo Canadá en las Américas pasará de una hora a media hora y será transmitida en el mismo horario que siempre, a esta hora, entonces para que lo sepan lo estaremos mencionando un poco más adelante también con más detalles estaremos entrevistando a la realizadora del programa que nos explicará por qué se realiza esto y como va a cambiar el programa pero no cambiar mucho, seguiremos siendo Canadá en las Américas a partir del 27 de junio durará media hora nada más’^a (via Rubén G. Margenet, Argentina, June 17, condiglist yg via DXLD)

Una pregunta con o sin respuestas. Como quieran entenderla. Alguien se imagina cómo va a ser el panorama de las emisoras internacionales en onda corta dentro de cinco años? (Arnaldo Slaen, ibid.)

Yo tengo una corazonada. Con la eliminación de las emisiones internacionales por onda corta se terminan 80 años de comunicación mundial. El silencio que ya está significando el no uso del INTERNET para reemplazar semejante etapa de la vida de relación humana será causa suficiente para que futuras decisiones (más inteligentes) revelen la necesidad de aprovechar el atributo natural de transmitir por aire, quizás podamos experimentarlo antes de nuestra terrenal despedida. RGM (Margenet, ibid.)

** CANADA. Sporadic-E analog TV DX without specific IDs: June 12 at 2256 UT on channel 2, ads in English from the northeast; 2259 credit roll including Canada logo, 2300 into another show with PG rating in upper left. UT June 13, 0100 CBC on ch 4 from the NE; 0105, CBC exploding-pizza bug in lower-right on ch 5 from the NNW (Glenn Hauser,

OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. Firedrake June 10: quick check just before 1300 may not have caught them all:

13500, poor at 1258

13920, very poor at 1259

14700, very poor at 1259

Firedrake June 12:

13130, fair at 1322; none lower; fair at 1352

13500, good at 1321; fair at 1352

15970, fair at 1322

16100, good at 1324; none higher

Firedrake June 13:

13920, very poor at 1147

14700, JBA at 1149

Firedrake June 16:

10300, fair at 1212; no lower frequencies audible

11500, fair at 1211; nothing else audible underneath

12270, good at 1215

12980, good at 1215

13130, good at 1215

13500, good at 1216

15540, poor at 1219; fair at 1306, and no others at this time

16100, poor at 1221

16980, good at 1220

17170, JBA at 1222

Next group before 1400 June 16:

16100, poor at 1353

15900, fair at 1353

13920, good at 1353

13500, good at 1354

12980, fair at 1354

11500, good at 1355

10300, poor at 1354

On rare occasions when I am ready to monitor before 0500 UT, I now look for Firedrake, as recently logged some frequencies trying to block the Chicom noontime hour of Sound of Hope. June 17 at 0456, FD is JBA on 17170, with heavy flutter, and frequency instability caused by Doppler, until cut off at 0500:05*. None had been found on lower frequencies in previous few minutes, but there were lots of CNR1 and CRI frequencies incoming well enough on 15 and 17 MHz bands.

Firedrake later June 17:

10300, fair at 1153
11500, fair at 1153
12980, fair at 1229
13500, poor at 1155

Firedrake June 18:

10300, good at 1243; fair at 1335
11500, fair at 1251, // 10300; fair at 1333
12270, good at 1252; good at 1333
12980, poor at 1252; poor at 1331
13130, very poor at 1253; fair at 1331
13920, good at 1252
14720, fair at 1257, instead of usual 14700. SOH tried to pull a fast one and jump to this frequency, but the ChiCom monitors caught them; 14720 still JBA at 1331
15430, good at 1341 vs something audible, i.e. V. of Tibet via UAE
15900, fair at 1257
15970, good at 1329, but not before 1300
16100, good at 1330
16980, very poor at 1257; fair at 1329
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [and non]. RADIO AND INTERNET IN CHINA

The first presentation on the agenda was about radio in China. Cui Litang, a longtime Chinese shortwave listener and language teacher who had hoped to join us on the cruise, but couldn't in the end, sent us a PowerPoint presentation about Chinese jamming of shortwave broadcasts and blockage of Internet access. It was extremely interesting to hear about these subjects from someone who lives in China. He explained that Facebook is often blocked and iquest timed out errors are commonplace for certain web pages.

Cui Litang noted that shortwave stations have often been subject to several types of jamming in China. Nevertheless, he has been an avid listener, and he showed part of his large QSL card collection, which includes cards from stations such as Radio Japan, Deutsche Welle, Radio Havana Cuba, Radio Yugoslavia, Radio Romania International, Radio Slovakia International, Radio Prague, Syrian Radio, Radio Pakistan, Swiss Radio International, VOA, WEWN, KWHR, ABC Australia and Radio Netherlands. He recalled hearing the American Forces Network from Guam with reports on Hurricane Katrina.

Cui Litang also sent a report, summarized by Dr. Jerry Plummer of WWCR, about his use of shortwave broadcasts to teach English in China. From a historical standpoint, he explained that prior to the Internet era, the role that radio played in China was crucial in the aftermath of the Cultural Revolution (1966-1976). iInternational broadcasting on

shortwave came in as a choice, I wrote Cui Litang, among other media, for many to navigate across the bitter seas, over the troubled water to China. At least owning a radio or a wireless was no longer a crime as it possibly was in the 1950's...and ownership, subject to registry, as well as to suspicions of espionage conspiracy, punishable by execution. I

Ironically, the need for domestic radio propaganda led to the opportunity to listen to overseas shortwave stations, explained Cui Litang. China was in dire need to develop electronics and make more radios as a means to feed the mouths, to reach the world's largest population across a vast land that was separated not only by geography, but also by ethnics, culture and language, pumping a universal message of Marxism, Leninism and Mao Zedong thought. So people did reach out beyond the domestic media, in the boundless airwaves, turning their ears to the different voices. I

Cui Litang said that one major impact of shortwave radio in China was as a learning source for the English language. He cited broadcasts from VOA, BBC, Radio Australia and others. Authentic textbooks, without chanting or shouting political slogans, were almost none, as all publications, including textbooks, were censored to toe the party line, rhetorically pitch-perfect. And as a result, authentic English teachers were not many.... English teaching programs on the international broadcasters came in at this time with a provision to fill the need of learning and teaching the language.

Over the years since late 1970, international radio on shortwave has helped to teach and create a new generation of tour guides, interpreters and teachers, and other professionals who worked with English. The daughter of our English teacher himself became an international tour guide after having learned the essential conversational English with VOA English 900. I

Cui Litang explains how after graduating from college he was designated against his personal desire as a political adviser. Eventually he was able to get a teaching job. Teaching provides a better opportunity to be creative, and this is where I started to explore and implement media, the shortwave radio in this case, as an alternative means of learning the English language, even just in a limited dimension. I started to introduce in the early 1990s, VOA English, VOA Special English, and BBC English into the classroom, in an attempt to connect international radio on the airwaves to the classroom, providing an opportunity to diversify and synergize learning and teaching. I

He taped shortwave programs for presentation in his classroom, and gave students additional information and tips for radio listening,

such as programs, time and frequencies. Over half of the students owned a shortwave radio as an essential piece of study gear, along with a Walkman, for learning a foreign language, said Cui Litang.

About a decade later, the Internet began to become a major player in Chinese education. The concept of the conventional classroom in brick and mortar has changed, and replaced by a virtual community on top of the computer network where the online teachers do all the model reading and instructions, albeit with drastically reduced interactions, as well as human contact. This provides an enormous opportunity to learn for nearly 480 million netizens in China (approximately one-third of 1.4 billion people).

However, explains Cui Litang, many are still struggling to navigate and negotiate the new Internet media. First of all, absolute average illiteracy in China is at nearly 10%, and illiteracy in 10 provinces and regions (one-third of all provinces and regions in China) alone is as high as 50%. Relative illiteracy, in terms of science and culture, is expected to be even higher, which translates into tremendous difficulty with access to new technology. He also cites a large digital divide between the haves and have-nots. For these reasons, radio continues to play a prominent role in reaching over one-sixth of the world's population, set apart by geography, language and ethnicity. (Jeff White, NASB Takes to the Sea, report on the May 2011 meeting aboard a cruise ship, June NASB Newsletter via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 6069.932 -unid- Per Colombian FARC log- 1200-1211 seeming om and yl en espanol, weak here, some distortion [June 13] (Robert Wilkner, NRD 535D and Icom 746Pro, Pompano Beach, South Florida, WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COSTA RICA [and non]. 9630, June 13 at 0507, open carrier instead of REE relay, occasional pops; up against weaker 9625 with CBC NQ leftover tone test just after its sign-off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also SPAIN [non]

** CUBA. 6010, June 12 at 0711, Esperanto from RHC in progress, VG signal, and no others on the air in any language this late on 49m. As scheduled, but I had not reconfirmed lately, 0700-0730 Sundays.

5040, as I tune across RHC, June 17 at 0455, sign-off message is running, mentioning strange frequencies including 9600, 12000, presumably for the upcoming morning transmissions, but neither has been in (intentional) use by RHC for a long time. Presumably another outdated script/canned announcement I must try another time to copy completely for great amusement. Or have they suddenly made schedule changes? No, still neither mentioned here:

<http://www.radiohc.cu/index.php/de-interes/frecuencias.html>

Then played national anthem. 5040 normally closes down circa 0500 and I did not check it further, but Wolfgang B_schel was still hearing it at 0530 the same date, off by 0532 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Cuba FM in Central Illinois --- Hi Glenn, Had some spotty E-Skip here Saturday afternoon (6-11) with a lot of Florida stations making it in. Caught Radio Taíno on 93.3 at about 4:45 pm Central time [2045 UT] with music, Spanish announcer, and "TAINO" on the RDS. What a help that RDS is! Take care! (Eric Loy, Catlin, IL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ECUADOR. 4918.98, 5.6 0200, R Quito "La Voz en vivo de la Capital". Very strong, noted this day for the first time after a long period. Perhaps this frequency is only used at special sport- or other major events. Gone the next night. TN (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin June 12 via DXLD)

4918,980v 5.6 0222 Radio Quito med skaplig styrka och många anrop. AHK

4918.980v, 5.6 0222, Radio Quito with decent strength and several IDs. AHK (Anders Hultqvist, Sweden, SW Bulletin, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST) Only on 1 or 2 nites (gh)

** GERMANY [and non]. GERMANY/PORTUGAL/SRI LANKA, Interview mit DW-Intendant Erik Bettermann. Interview von Hajo Schuhmacher mit DW-Intendant Erik Bettermann, 19:15 min. Gestern {June 5} gab es im DW-TV in der Sendereihe "typisch deutsch" ein aktuelles Interview mit Erik Bettermann. Beginnt mit vielen bunten Bildern, wie im KIKA.

Es konnten die Zuhoerer/Zuschauer bis zum 25.5. Fragen einreichen, die im Rahmen der Sendung beantwortet wurden. Es wurde auch die Einstellung der KW-Verbreitung behandelt. Podcast ist das Thema, aber nicht in Afrika. Hoert's Euch an.

Hier der Link zum Video der Sendung:

<http://mediacenter.dw-world.de/german/video/#!/153017/typisch_deutsch/Program=11935>

<http://mediacenter.dw-world.de/german/video/#!/153017/typisch_deutsch>

mit Quick Time plugin

<http://dw-world-od.streamfarm.net/Events/mp4/typd/typd20110605_bettermann_sd.mp4>
(Wolfgang B_schel, June 6, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 10 via DXLD)

Die Entscheidungen von Sonnyboy Erik Bettermann und seiner Bonner Mannschaft, dem Bundestag, vom bundesdeutschen Aussenamt und unserem

Aussenminister Westerwelle oder von Kulturstatsminister Bernd Neumann sind ja laengst getroffen.

<<http://www.bundesregierung.de/Content/DE/Pressemitteilungen/BPA/2011/04/2011-04-07-deutsche-welle.html>>

<<http://www.bundesregierung.de/Content/DE/Rede/2011/04/2011-04-07-neumann-deutsche-welle.html>>

Am 1. November 2011 fallen zwei bestens gewartete State-of-the-art Radiostation an die Staaten Portugal und Sri Lanka zurueck. Am Beispiel des Pleitesenders SLBC Colombo kann die dortige Gesellschaft eine Fortfuehrung der Sender-Taetigkeit gar nicht leisten. Also werden bei den guten Beziehungen zwischen Sri Lanka und PR China die Chinesen dort bald das Sagen haben (Wolfgang B,schel, June 7, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 10 via DXLD)

** GUINEA. 7125, June 10 at 0622, RTG, poor but detectable in AM, during local lightning storm producing power outage 0555-0945 UT, using DX-398 on battery, indoor random wire only. Had not heard it before 0600 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY [and non]. Alfredo Cotroneo of IRRS has notified us that WORLD OF RADIO has been canceled `for financial reasons`, but they will still have our program files available for random play on their webcast.

The real reason is that Brother Scare is paying European Gospel Radio \$10,000 a month, (all of this based on what BS has announced on broadcasts via WWRB/WWCR). IRRS has told us nothing about what their new programming will be. Once again on June 10 at 1250 on 9385, I happened to catch BS talking about this. Mentioned June 12 Pentecost, but unclear if this is supposed to be the start date. Said he would be on 7 days via 1368 in Milan and 1566 in Rome, from 9 pm to 2 am Central European Time (once said ending at 12 am instead, mistake?), and also 18-20 UT daily on new SW 7290 for Europe, Africa, Middle East.

The IRRS online schedule has been updated to show European Gospel Radio with The Overcomer Ministry daily at 18-24 UT on the two MW, plus 7290 for the first two hours. That means that IRRS has blown away not only WORLD OF RADIO but all other programming on their two-hour 7290 broadcast. 9510 is now shown only on Saturdays at 08-09, and Sundays 0930-1200, not including any DX programs.

As always, IRRS will not reveal the true transmitter sites, even to paying customers, but Ivo Ivanov in Bulgaria has deduced that 9510 has been moved from Rimavsk· Sobota, SLOVAKIA, to Tiganeshti, ROMANIA.

Likely the same for 7290, but not yet for sure. That should make for different reception quality, if anyone cared to listen to The Last Day Prophet of God (Glenn Hauser, OK, June 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MOLDOVA?/ARMENIA? 7290, June 10 from 1758 UT opening with "Aôda Marcha Triunfal" and at 1759 UT ID "IRRS shortwave in Milano - signing on", then 19 seconds pure silence, into English religious program from 1801:05 UT. Men's chorus started, S=9+45 to +50dB - VERY STRONG SIGNAL.

Comparison in 41 mband shows only similar bcasting station services like RRI Tiganesti 7240 kHz in German, and WER + KAS at same power league. 73 (Wolfgang B,schel, 1833 UT June 10, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: [A-DX] IRRS Ankuendigung 7290 --- Ja, ab 17.58 UT in der Luft, mit einer Triumphmarsch Er^ffnung, und ID IRRS Milano. Ab 1801:05 UT dann englischsprachiges religi^ses Programm.

Glenn sagte etwas von Brother Stair Programm?

S=9+45dB Signal. Nur Tiganesti 7240 in Deutsch, sowie Kashi und Wertachtal haben gleich/%hnlich starke Signale. Kandidaten sind Grigoriopol oder Gavar Armenien mit 300 kW, wenn denn nicht die Rum%nen noch einen Ersatzsender aufgetan haben. 73 wb (B,schel, post to A-DX at 1818 UT June 10, fwd to us, DXLD)

Aber ab 18.00 UC gleich mit S= 9+40, O=4, Fading. Brother Stair der Verblichene? Na ja, zumindest klingt es so ;-) ----

IRRS:

7290 IRRS Milano 1800-1900 1....67 English 150 60 Rimavska Sobota SVK
---- Mit Gruss, (Herbert Meixner, 1805 UT, ibid.)

Listening to wb's clip: And then into Bible reading, Alex Scourby?
Which TOM sometimes fills time with (gh, DXLD)

MOLDOVA?/ARMENIA?/UKRAINE? 7290, IRRS Milan, program from UNID hidden tx site. Later at 1900 UT, on remote Perseus and sdr-IQs, best signals in Austria, Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, all S=9+45dB, also at S=9+28dB in Germany. France S=9+25dB. At outer locations like Krasnodar-Crimea-Russia and Iceland S=9+5dB. Scheduled 1800-2000 UT Fri/Sat/Sun.

TX transmission break down at 1957-1958 UT. Came back on air with program ID and address www.overcomerministry.org at 1958:50 UT. P O Box 691, Walterboro SC 29488, USA. IRRS asked for RRs at 1959:31 UT to P. O. Box 10980, at 20110 Milan, Italy. At 2000:13 UT TX switched off. (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 10, dxldyg via DXLD)

7290, IRRS, 1730-2000* UT, Tue Jun 14, at 1730-1735*, Jun 14, only the Voice of China, Beijing, was heard. Then nothing until *1758 when a strong station with a talk in American English about coal mining started. At 1800 ID: îThis is IRRS in Milano signing onî, followed by three minutes of dead air, then back with piano music, orchestra music and a hymn (back-up pause music?). Suddenly at 1809-2000*, Brother Stair was talking about îJesus is coming back, as I told you many timesî, 1959 IRRS ID and address for reception reports, 55544 (Anker Petersen, Skovlunde/Vejers Strand, Denmark, DSWCI DX Window June 15 via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. The N. Korean jamming on 6230 kHz is to cover Clandestine station for N. Korea which does not announce a station name. In this Clandestine station, only as for several times a every month, it on air of irregular service. Time at 0700-0740 and/or 1200-1240 UT on 6230 kHz. It is thought that it is transmitted from S. Korea because 0700 UT can receive it in Japan. Starts always begin in "Olle-Come" of Korean-pops.

Apr. 7 at 1200-1241 UT on 6230 kHz by Show in Nagoya. Part 1 1200-1221
http://bcl2isid2over60.sakura.ne.jp/dl/sound/110407_2100t2121_6230E1A6d.mp3

Part 2 1219-1241 UT
http://bcl2isid2over60.sakura.ne.jp/dl/sound/110407_2119t2141_6230E1A6d.mp3
(S. Hasegawa, Japan, June 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KUWAIT. 15540, R. Kuwait, June 17 at 1945 as I tune in, the get-out-by-June-30-or-be-deported PSA for illegal immigrants is playing yet again. Various articles of the decree are read, separated by bits of ``Tubular Bells``, theme from ``The Exorcist``, hee hee, RK with a sense of humor about Kuwait exorcising IIs.

Very good summer reception on this English frequency unknown in the studio, and unpropagating in the winter. After news headlines at 2050, recheck at 2053 found that announcement playing yet2 again.

17550, R. Kuwait in Arabic, June 17 at 2003, even better than 15540; napdozed during most of this semihour as great Arabic music was playing mixed with YL narration, about what? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBYA. 17725, June 12 at 1356 noticed V of Africa already in English a few minutes early, usual announcer mentioning hypothetical ``United States of Africa`` and ever more so now; poor (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MAURITANIA. 7245, June 10 at 0622, IGIM with usual Arabic chanting, poor signal in local lightning storm during power outage, but better

than Guinea (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 2, June 12 at 1438 UT with antenna south, net-5 fades in with toons, then in and out for next bihour, mixing with other signals, some up to ch 4. Meanwhile I see the 6m Es maps show the entire US crisscrossed with sporadic-E contacts but hardly anything from Mexico.

Analog Es TV DX in Spanish from the south, June 16 at 1418 UT tune-in on channels 2, 3, 4 and 5, mostly mixing, but did make out a net-5 bug UR on 5 during toons; and at 1420 MUF reached ch 6 video (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS [non non]. HAPPY STATION FILM FROM 1978

On November 19th 1978 Radio Netherlands broadcast 9 continuous hours of live programming to mark the 50th anniversary of the worlds oldest shortwave: Happy Station/Estacion. This film was made by the RN TV department, offers an impression of that festive day. It was narrated by Ton van der Horst. Happy Station host of that era, Tom Meijer, later that year took it to Australia and New Zealand, offering fans there the opportunity to witness that special event. This film comes to us from Tom Meijer's own archive. Just go to <http://www.pcjmedia.com> Best Regards, (Keith Perron, PCJ, June 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NETHERLANDS. Media Network Newsletter By Andy Sennitt 9 June 2011

Hello from Hilversum. It has been a very stressful week for everyone at RNW, and tomorrow (10 June) could be a crucial day. We're expecting to hear from the Cabinet in The Hague what they have decided about the future of RNW. If there is an announcement it will of course be reported on our website and in the Media Network Weblog. A parliamentary debate on the decision is due to be held on 27 June. An action committee has been set up to inform our worldwide audience what's going on, and asking for expressions of support, and a special action website <http://www.radionetherlands4u.nl/> is being launched tomorrow. This site will be updated and expanded as soon as the announcement by the Cabinet has been made... (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

PETITION TO MEMBERS OF THE DUTCH PARLIAMENT

We, the signatories to this petition, would like you to consider the following when deciding the future of Radio Netherlands Worldwide.

The Netherlands is one of the world's most important exporting countries and trading nations with a good international reputation in

many fields of expertise. This 'image of the Netherlands' is partly the result of many years of external profiling, in which Radio Netherlands Worldwide has played a key role.

Many businesses focus their activities on markets outside the Netherlands. Dutch companies have local production units all over the world. Its strategic location makes the Netherlands a good base for foreign enterprise. These are foreign companies which invest in the Netherlands and which have built up relations with local businesses - especially in the small and medium-sized sector.

The image of the Netherlands abroad is vital for its competitive position. This image is partly determined by the government's official foreign policy. However, Dutch companies, universities, the creative sector, NGOs, football clubs all contribute to the reputation of the Netherlands. Part of the brief of Radio Netherlands Worldwide is to propagate a balanced and well-informed image of all such activities.

In addition, the Netherlands is committed to reinforcing democratic values throughout the world and providing global solutions. This is in the country's own interests. As a strong, internationally oriented trading nation, the Netherlands benefits from economic and social stability in other countries. Social responsibility in business is not just an advertising slogan, but a basic condition for perpetuating the Netherlands' strong position in the global market. Radio Netherlands Worldwide helps do this.

Radio Netherlands Worldwide informs people throughout the world on issues which matter and which are well-known Dutch themes (such as human rights and international justice and euthanasia), about sectors in which the Dutch command expertise and about Dutch innovations which contribute to resolving global problems. This is done on a wide range of platforms (internet, radio, television, satellite, mobile platforms) and in local languages.

Radio Netherlands spreads Dutch values: freedom of speech and press freedom, as well as freedom of religion, freedom of sexual orientation and equal rights for women.

Radio Netherlands Worldwide has the knowledge and know-how to provide the Dutch civil and business sector with information about other countries and from other countries, through its wide range of international networks and sources.

Soon you will be deciding on the (future) funding of Radio Netherlands Worldwide. We believe that this decision could affect the international profile of the Netherlands. You will be asked to approve cuts to the tune of millions of euros, but we fear the bill could

ultimately be footed by 'the Netherlands plc'.

We are urging you to bear in mind the important role Radio Netherlands Worldwide plays in influencing opinion and in propagating a strong and well-balanced image of the Netherlands abroad.

Sign the petition at <http://www.radionetherlands4u.nl/en>
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

RN abandoned its listeners in North America (and in English many other parts of the world), so why should we support them now? (gh, DXLD)

** NEW ZEALAND. 11725, June 16 at 0523, dead air, must be RNZI as usual, while 11675 DRM was blasting noise away as always: if DRM is not modulating, it makes no difference. 11725 carrier broke off the air for a minute at 0525.5, off again at 0527.8; 0529 back on and finally joining modulation in progress (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 15140 5.6 1420 R Sultanate of Oman, nu med EE och massor av anglosaxisk populärmusik. Nyheter 1430, där man bl a vidareförmedlade en hälsning från Omans monark till Kung Carl XVI Gustaf med anledning av Sveriges Nationaldag (som inföll dagen efter, men det visste man nog inte i Oman). 4. HR

15140, 5.6 1420, R Sultanate of Oman, now in English and lots of Anglosaxon pop music. News at 1430, where they among other things, passed on greetings from the Omani monarch to the Swedish King Carl XVI Gustaf on the occasion of Sweden's National Day (which in fact was first the next day, but it was probably not known in Oman). 4. HR (Hans Østneil, Norway, SW Bulletin, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. Re 10-23: Refurbishing program at Karachi Landhi site last now from 2006 til 2011. 5 antennas with 6 masts were visible til 2005, 3 x 275, 2 x 300 degrees azimuth. SW antennas dismantled after December 2005, according to image in G.E. of 4-Dec-2005. Replacement of 2 x 50 kW Short Wave Transmitters will total allocated cost of US \$7.2 Million.

MW TX houses

24 51 12.22 N 67 13 2.70 E

SW TX and antenna switching house at probably

24 51 05.44 N 67 13 11.94 E

(Wolfgang B. schel, June 7, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 10 via DXLD)

History:

At present an old building exist at the site, it was constructed in

1949. The two transmitters would be installed in the existing transmitter hall. Obsolete transmitters and related equipment are to be dismantled.

IMPORT: 2 x 100 kW Short wave transmitters, based on modern technology along with dummy load, Balun transformer and a set of spares. Speech Input, Test & Measuring equipment, emergency studio and STLs/Satellite Link too.

Indoor Antenna Selector switch matrix with control and interlock system. RF Feeder line 900 meter long. High Frequency Antenna System, 2 rotatable curtain systems. One functioning on the frequency range 6-11 MHz and the other functioning on 13-26 MHz complete with drive system, remote control, matching unit, supports, insulator, end terminal & grounding. Diesel Electric Generator of 750 KVA has been made with 400 volts three phase output as standby power source for the transmitters (Alan Davies, Indonesia, SWSites May 23; wwdxc BC-DX TopNews May 26, 2008, ibid.)

** PALAU. T8WH Angel 4, I cannot receive Radio Free Sarawak on 15420 kHz at 1000 UT after June. Relay from T8WH canceled? (S. Hasegawa, Japan, June 10, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 5960, R. Fly, randomly from 1005 to 1401, June 14. In Tok Pisin; safety talk about ifaulty brakes .. accidents .. playgrounds .. slow downî; pop songs (ABBA îDancing Queenî), island songs, etc.

This Thursday onward I will especially be checking for reception of the soon to be reinstalled repaired 3915 transmitter. îRosieî (Roseanne Kulupi, who is not just the R. Fly radio technician, but also has air time in pidgin, ibecause majority of our listeners are pidgin speakersî) has indicated she hopes to drive down to Kiunga, the transmitter site, from Tabubil, site of the Ok Tedi Mining headquarters, on either Wednesday or Thursday of this week to reinstall the transmitter. So we should be able to compare the 5960 and 3915 signals this weekend, if not shortly before then.

3915, R. Fly, randomly from 0857 to 1228, June 15. Rosie indeed must have driven down to Kiunga today and reinstalled the 1 KW repaired transmitter. Ham QRM and adjacent QRM from a strong 3912 (Korea). At tune in was below threshold level (only carrier heard) but was slowly fading up; by 0911 heard pop music that was clearly // to somewhat stronger 5960. Unfortunately today had subnormal reception for R. Fly compared to their decent reception during the past week on 5960. Heard from 1014 to 1156 live rugby coverage (sounded like the Queensland vs NSW match); then into pop songs (Dobie Gray with "Drift Away", etc.); mostly unusable on 3915 and only slightly better on 5960. Nice to have

another frequency to check them out on! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I confirmed on 3915 kHz of R. Fly became active at 0950 UT on June 15. // 5960 kHz (S. Hasegawa, Japan, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 3360.006, 12.6 0100, unID Peruvian station, quite weak. No ID during a 5-minute-long recording at toth [top of the hour] TN (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, SW Bulletin June 12 via DXLD)

Precis n%r bullen b^rjade bli klar, kom ett mail frÅn Henrik Klemetz som s%ger: FÅr just nu en inspelning av Hasse Mattisson och h^r d%r ett tentativt anrop kl 0250z. "Radio JPJ, fuerza musical del Per'" %r vad jag h^r. Det %r ju ingen "banbrytande" uppt%ckt men den skulle v%l kunna rapporteras? Ljudet låter misst%nkt likt en ^verton; h^rdes inte pÅ SSB, sa Hasse. SÅledes en "kvalificerad gissning", 1680,3 x 2. Någon som inspirerats av Chamaca-stationen pÅ 1640 kanske? /HK

Just when the bulletin was almost compiled, I got an email from Henrik Klemetz who says: Right now I got a recording from Hasse Mattisson and in which there is a tentative call at 0250z. "Radio JPJ, fuerza musical del Per'" is what I hear. It's not "a groundbreaking" discovery but it ought at least to be reported? The audio sounds suspiciously like an overtone, were not heard in SSB, Hasse Mattisson says. Thus, an "educated guess" is, it might be 1680.3 x 2. Someone inspired by the Chamaca Station on 1640 kHz maybe? / HK (Henrik Klemetz, Sweden, SW Bulletin, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST) either 1680.003 or 3360.6 to make them match (gh)

I mail lite senare frÅn Hasse Mattisson: JfTTEROLIGT att bli uppringd!! Och HK ringde precis innan, som jag sa. Man blir ju n%stan lite "mallig" ----- nÅja ner pÅ jorden. H%r mitt clip som %r den del som h^rdes b%st av ca 4 min upprepad id slinga - o obs! Detta var pÅ AM mode - i USB eller LSB inget sÅ fq %r v%l d%refter med AM. Några andinska takter precis mot slutet. Och en del pingst-sprak ingÅr naturligtvis. (i r%ttvisans namn det var Karel Honzik log pÅ RealDX som inspirerade mig! HM)

In the mail from Hasse Mattisson a few minutes later: Great to be called up by telephone! Also HK rang me just before. One becomes almost a bit "stuck up" --- oh well, back to earth. Here is my clip with the part containing about a 4 minute repeated ID loop. A note - this was heard only in AM mode ñ nothing in USB or LSB; so AM only on the frequency. Some Andean rhythms just at the end and with some Pentecostal thunderstorm noise of course. (In the name of justice it was the Karel Honzik logging on REALDX that inspired me! HM) (HM =

Hasse Mattisson, Sweden (ARC member, almost never on SW), SW Bulletin, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

På min inspelning går den faktiskt lika bra i USB/LSB som i AM! /TN
On my recording from one hour earlier the same night, the audio is actually as good in USB/LSB as in AM! (Thomas Nilsson, ibid.)

3360.01, 9.6 - 0409 UNID. June 10: This week I could hear almost daily an UNID LA station on 3360.01 kHz between 03-04 UT. Probably from Peru, it plays Andean and LA music with slogans between songs (male voice). The signal is very weak (here in the middle of Europe). In slogans there appears something like "Q" (Onda Q ?) very often. On June 9 the station closed down at 0409 UT, on June 10 it got extremely weak after 0335 but I still had a feeling that it was there at 0410 UT.

June 11: I confirm Hasse Mattisson's observation of this morning (Saturday): no signal today. I was there between 0300-0400 UT. I was studying my recording again: it really is a Peruvian station, most probably from the eastern part of the country. I do not want to give up and ask a Spanish native DXer for a help :-) so I will listen to the recording again and perhaps will see (= hear). I was thinking about possible harmonics but have found no station that would fit to the ID that I can perhaps hear on the recording (if it is an ID).

So no Peru on 3360 kHz but there was Radio Lîpez (BOLIVIA) on 4796 kHz this morning with its regular Friday evening extended show. I can hear it every Saturday morning here in the middle of Europe (Karel Honzík, CZECHIA, via SW Bulletin; also HCDX via DXLD)

** PORTUGAL. 11995 DRM, RdP Internacional, via Sines, 0852-0915, Jun 05, Portuguese news and report about the elections and the football Euro 2012 qualifier Norway vs. Portugal, no dropouts, 0=5. So the transmissions via Sines are still on after Jun 01 (Patrick Robic, Leibnitz, Austria, DSWCI DX Window June 15 via DXLD) As already reported here (gh)

** ROMANIA. 17510, June 17 just as I tune in at 1157, I hear one note of music and carrier cut. Yes, it's the final note of the RRI IS, ending the English hour at 1100, registered in HFCC to last until 1200, but they always end 3 minutes earlier. This is 300 kW, 307 degrees from Tiganeshti to W Europe, and consequently onward to NAm, propagation permitting, which it does these summer days.

15195, June 18 at 1302, RRI Romanian service is playing some novelty/comedy songs, sounds like fun. This is 12-14 UT, 300 kW, 285 degrees from Galbeni to France, fair and somewhat offbeam for US (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Today June 9 noted two 250 kW transmitters from Moscow site (according to HFCC list) in bad audio shape. 11794.917, in Arabic, S=7-8 at 1619 UT and another distorted audio signal, but in English language from V of Russia on 12040 kHz at 1623 UT. 73 wb (Wolfgang B, schel, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Re 11-23: >>"RADIO ROSSII SELECTED MUSIC PROGRAMMES
Going Beyond Three Seas, Tuesday [sic, Tue or Thu?] 2010, Friday 0010,
20 minutes of folk music - traditional and modern"<<

Hah. - That's one typo that cannot be guessed at. "Going Beyond Three Seas" airs on Thursday at 2010. Apologies (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA [non]. VOICE OF RUSSIA LAUNCHES ITS WASHINGTON DC STUDIO

Voice of Russia Radio Launches New U.S. Stations, Delivering Russian News & Perspective to Americans --- Washington, D.C. Station Announces Launch with Panel Discussion Focusing on the Changing Face of Public Diplomacy in Russia-U.S. Relations

WASHINGTON, June 9, 2011 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Today, Voice of Russia (VOR) Radio announces the launch of two U.S. stations in New York and Washington, D.C. The new stations will air live programming with the Russian perspective on international news, culture, arts and events over 1430 AM and 1390 AM frequency, respectively. The stations mark the first time VOR will produce programming directly from the United States rather than broadcasting news from the Moscow-based radio program.

"This is a very significant move for Voice of Russia because it is the first time in the history of the station that material being broadcast to the North American market will actually originate and be produced locally," said Andrei Bystritsky, Chairman of VOR. VOR has been broadcasting since October 29, 1929, and was the first radio station to broadcast internationally to provide a Russian perspective on news and culture. VOR currently broadcasts to 160 countries in 38 languages for a total of 151 hours per day, on short and medium waves, in the FM band, via satellite and through a global mobile communications network. The Washington, D.C. station will employ over 15 correspondents throughout the U.S. who will cover stories on culture, sports, science and politics.

To kick-off the Washington, D.C. station, Mr. Bystritsky is hosting a panel discussion on Thursday, June 9 that will focus on the changes of Russian and U.S. approaches to public diplomacy since the end of the Cold War more than two decades ago; the impact of an American

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The panel discussion will be held this morning, Thursday, June 9, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the National Press Club in the Lisagor Room.

For further information, visit <http://english.ruvr.ru/>
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<http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/voice-of-russia-radio-launches-new-us-stations-delivering-russian-news--perspective-to-americans-123539349.html>
(via Sergei S., dxldyg via DXLD)

VOICE OF RUSSIA RADIO LAUNCHES IN NYC, DC --- RBR.com 9 June, 2011

Well, in DC we have 50-kW China Radio International on 1190 kHz and now Voice of Russia (VOR) Radio on 5-kW Way Broadcasting's WZHF-AM 1390. While VOR announced 6/9 the launch the stations in New York (Multicultural Radio Broadcasting's WNSW) and DC, the DC station has actually been on air since March and WNSW since January.

The new stations air live programming with the Russian perspective (in English) on international news, culture, arts and events. The stations mark the first time VOR will produce programming directly from the United States rather than broadcasting news from the Moscow-based radio program. VOR has always reached the US via shortwave and for a time in the late 70s on 600 kHz from Cuba.

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http://www.rbr.com/radio/radio-programming/voice-of-russia-radio-launches-in-nyc-dc.html?utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

THE VOICE OF RUSSIA PRESENTS ITS NEW PROJECT IN WASHINGTON
<http://english.ruvr.ru/2011/06/10/51560430.html>

The Voice of Russia's brand new US project was unveiled in Washington: there will now be live broadcasts from the US capital. For the first time, the Russian radio station's shows broadcast in the US will be created on American soil, whereas before, they all came from Moscow.

The Voice of Russia can be heard on AM 1430 in New York and AM 1390 in Washington. This is a very important step for the company, because for the first time in the station's history, shows delivered to US audiences will be made on location, said the chairman of the Voice of Russia, Andrei Bystritsky.

Shows will be broadcast from Washington six hours a day, seven days a week, during morning and evening primetime. Just a stone's throw away

from the White House, a team of American and Russian journalist will bring timely live reports on global events to American listeners from a cutting edge Washington studio.

Morning shows will comprise news blocks, commentary and interviews with Russian experts. The evening programs are generally dedicated to recapping the day's major events, with American newsmakers and commentators coming into the Voice of Russia studio. Programs from Moscow will fill the airtime between the US-made shows on the same frequencies.

Over time, the station plans to expand its program lineup, increase the number of hours on air and establish a country-wide network of correspondents. Experts are sure that the Voice of Russia's new project will help foster deeper mutual understanding between the two countries.

This was one of the issues addressed at the National Press Club roundtable in Washington. A discussion titled From the Cold War to a reset: the changing image of public diplomacy in Russo-American relations was held as part of the presentation of the new Voice of Russia project. The world has changed a great deal with the appearance of a multitude of media outlets, noted the chair of the Voice of Russia, Andrei Bystritsky.

"Today's abundance of media, the millions of informational websites and tens of thousands of online channels in English alone have created an audience that hardly understands what's going on. Making sense of anything at all becomes practically impossible and it is exceptionally hard to tell the truth from lies. The problem of the new communications world is that reliability has become the central issue. Certainly, there is no talk of restricting the freedom of the dissemination of information and anyway, this would not be possible. In my opinion, the most important thing is the self-organization of those who undertake to treat information responsibly. In essence, our US project is precisely a step towards all of us having more shared knowledge and better mutual understanding."

Parties to the discussion exchanged views on the development of Russia-US ties in general and the presence of Russian media in the American media space in particular. It is very important to highlight different points of view to the American audience, says the director of the Center for Eurasian, Russian and East European Studies, Angela Stent.

"There is lack of knowledge in the United States about Russia, and they need to understand more about Russia, I think what real lack is sort of objective reporting, independent reporting, where you have

different viewpoints. I think the same would go clearly if you were going to be reporting on international events and things in the United States as well. But you have somewhere people feel that they are not being fed by propaganda lie."

Without a doubt, a mere Voice of Russia presence on US radio waves does not guarantee immediate interest and trust from American listeners ñ this needs to be earned. The former head of Deutsche Welle radio in North America Rudiger Lenz gave his advice.

"Do not fall into a trap, which means that if you are not gaining credibility at the very first beginning of your station, then you have an image problem, from the very first beginning, and that can be crucial for the further progress of the station, and so far you have to be absolutely truthful and try to be critical as well, that is what western people, that is what American people want to be addressed, that is what they wait for." (via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

** SAIPAN. 9720, June 13 at 1137 Indonesian talk breaking up; 1140 bit of Dutch voiced-over into Indonesian. Must be that defective IBB Saipan transmitter again: yes, chex out in HFCC at 1100-1157, 100 kW, 225 degrees, RNW Indonesian via Saipan. Do they know about this recurring problem back in Hilversum? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 9675, BSKSA Riyadh, in Turkish, totally distorted audio from defect feed, only small 2 kHz bandwidth, hard to understand content. 1922 UT June 4. S=8-9 (Wolfgang B_schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews June 10 via DXLD)

DRM: New Al Khumra site - more details. Not so long ago we [sic] announced via the Continental Electronics website:

June-28-2010. Continental to Deliver four 250 kW DRM HF transmitters to Saudi Arabia at the Al Khumra site. And that it would be ready by Mid 2011.

Then: The DRM website announced in April:

DRM station ready in Saudi Arabia. DRM member Continental Electronics has announced that a new shortwave DRM capable station is now ready in Saudi Arabia. Three 300 kW SW transmitters, fully DRM ready, and a number of curtain antennas complete this station, and are part of a comprehensive digitisation plan in the country.

It would be nice if confirmed facts were known?? Probably 300 kW SW 419G transmitters fitted with Continental DRM Exciters? (Ian Baxter, Australia, May 28, shortwavesites yg via BC-DX June 10 via DXLD)

** SERBIA [non non]. 9635, 2.6 1300, R Serbia Int. med
utlandsprogrammet på engelska där de talade om en musikfestival i
Belgrad. DO

9635, 2.6 1300, R Serbia International with foreign service in English
speaking about a music festival in Belgrade. DO (Dan Olsson, Sweden,
SW Bulletin June 12 via DXLD)

That is the latest frequency for the 10 kW Stubline unit (gh, DXLD)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 7230, June 10 at 0529 English news past 0530 about
Africa including Libya, ``rise and shine in East Africa``, 0532 report
from Luanda. Poor signal also with local T-storm noise, but I don't
usually hear anything here. It's Channel Africa, now scheduled M-F
only at 05-08. Then checked 7285 for Sonder Grense and it was stronger
in Afrikaans. This correlates with both 100 kW from Meyerton, but
azimuths 5 and 275 degrees respectively (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN [non]. 17850, Friday June 17 at 2000 REE via Costa Rica with
timesignal, UT+2 timecheck, and then open carrier until 2001:32*. No
longer troubled by WYFR on the 17845 side (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 15745, SLBC, English Bible thumping from Ed Bousman in
Ohio, with a good ole fashioned choir singing, and MANY MANY MANY
repeats of the address in Lafayette Ohio to send for the free offer of
Bible study. ID at 0330 and then into Pop music with OM DJ who had a
THICK sub-continental accent, and including tunes like iWake Up Little
Susie by the Everly Brothers, and iSave All your Kisses for Me
(Brotherhood of Man) as well as several that were sort of familiar but
not really. Pips and ID again at ToH and into OM talk (news?) but by
this point too weak to really make out anything. Flirting with
threshold noise the whole time really, 254+42 at best, but getting
worse during the time I heard. 0326-0405 12/June --Zichi MI2 (Kenneth
Vito Zichi, MI, MARE Tipsheet June 17 via DXLD)

** SUDAN [and non]. 13620, June 10 at 0518, R. Dabanga singing ID with
usual good signal via MADAGASCAR, but also with continuous tone
jamming. Due to independent fading, and a subaudible heterodyne, it's
clear that the tone is coming from another transmitter, not the same
one as someone suspected in the case of 11500 in the evening, where it
went off at the same time as RD (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** SYRIA. 9330 4.6 2102 R Damascus (tent.) drog igång på EE två
minuter efter schemat. Stark bärkraft, men undermodulerat till tusen och

mer eller mindre ol%sbart. 2. HR

9330, 4.6 2102, R Damascus (tentative) started up in English two minutes behind the schedule. Strong carrier but extremely under modulated and more or less unreadable. 2. HR (Hans ÷stnell, Norway, SW Bulletin June 12, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [and non]. And re other things, I heard - thanks to a tip from Mark Davies - what might have been VL8T on 4910 around 2130 UT on the 8th, and went looking for it again same time on the 9th but heard nothing (nor on 4835 or 5025).

But instead there was splash this time from XZDT Lhasa on 4905 at fair to good strength // strong 4920 in Tibetan. I thought 6025 also carried this service but will need to check this unlisted frequency again. 5240 if on air was blocked by ute. Their Chinese language service was also good on 4820 and better on 6050 (Noel R. Green (NW England), June 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. Re DXLD 11-23: Glenn, there is no excuse for the Voice of Turkey continuing to broadcast the wrong frequency details. I told them about this more than a month ago, and they replied with a QSL card (which I didn't request) and a printed schedule with the CORRECT details on it (Roger Tidy, UK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15450, VOT listened to between chex for LRA36, June 16, Thursday: 1251-1257, 'The Middle East Through Turkey's Window' about strained relations with Syria. Then podcast promo via <http://www.trtenglish.com> and Question of the Month I was finally able to copy, but quoting it here would only enable those who never listen to answer it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K [and non]. 17780, June 12 at 1358, poor signal with B-B-C-chimes, prior to 1400-1430 BBCWS Hausa via ASCENSION.

17795, June 17 at 1950-1959:30* BBCWS with 'From Our Own Correspondent', report from Tunisia; poor but generally readable. This is one of countless broadcasts benefiting from WYFR's drastic cutback [see USA!]; until today had been blocked by Okeechobee on 17795 from 1200 to 2145. BBC is on 17795 at 16-18, 55 degrees from Ascension, and 18-20, 180 degrees from Skelton (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Remember the announcement on WWV that they were planning on ending Solar Terrestrial Indices broadcasts? Apparently enough of us spoke and they have relented. They plan now to continue to broadcast the information indefinitely. See <<http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwv/>> for

details, or better yet, listen to WWV at :18 minutes past the hour for the announcement and REPORT it here in the TipSheet!) and don't forget to write them to say thank you -- especially if you commented to them before! (Ken Zichi, MARE Tipsheet June 17 via DXLD) Viz.:

NOAA / Space Weather Prediction Center

SWPC is no longer planning to discontinue the broadcast of its synoptic Geo-Alert products on the WWV and WWVH radio stations. SWPC plans to continue this service for the foreseeable future.

Additionally, updates to the content of this product are underway as a result of the feedback process. For example, in addition to providing the current, daily solar flux at 2800 MHz, we are evaluating adding more frequent observations at 2695MHz. Other improvements to the message content will also be evaluated. Stay tuned to this site for the latest status on these updates.

For additional comments or questions, please email us at swpc.www@noaa.gov (via DXLD)

** U S A [non]. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA/KUWAIT, 17530, R Sawa, via Kuwait (250 kW, 285 degrees), *1300-1458*, now also on SW daily in Arabic, heard since May 15. The programme consists typically of Arabic commentaries by a male announcer and lots of Arabic and English pop music mixed with occasional traditional Arabic songs. Clear IDs are regularly heard throughout the broadcast. At 1458 they close usually at the end of a song without any further comment or ID, 35444 (Michael Ford, Newcastle, United Kingdom, June 8, DSWCI DX Window June 15 via DXLD)

Commentaries? The main, only? talk segments are newscasts lasting 4-5 minutes at :15 and :45 past the hours, rest music (gh, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1568 monitoring: confirmed on 5050 WWRB, UT Friday June 10, but did not start until 0338 as the preceding preacher ran way over. Good modulation level and stayed on past 0405 for the conclusion. This has now become the most reliable SW signal for WOR.

Brady Murray of WWRB has notified us that they are CANCELLING WORLD OF RADIO, after many years, as a result of my comments about Dr Gene Scott!

WORLD OF RADIO has also been canceled on IRRS/NEXUS-IBA/IPAR, 7290 Saturdays at 1800, replaced by Brother Scare: see ITALY [and non].

WRMI 9955 and webcast airings: Friday 1430, Saturday 0800, 1730,

Sunday 0800, 1530, 1730 and more into Wednesday.

On WRN via SiriusXM 120: Sat & Sun 1730, Sun 0830 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Subject: video reception report

Dear Glenn Hauser, thank you very much for your interesting DX show. I'm a DXer since 1984. I was 14 years old. Now I'm an old man with a little daughter and have small time to DXing. This morning (10th of June 2011) I received World of Radio relayed by WWRB on 5050 khz at 0358 UT with small signal. Sign off was 0410. You can watch a small clip of my reception on YouTube. Your information was about Radio Nederland, Radio Pakistan, Deutsche Welle, Wavescan and other more. <http://youtu.be/ePzanm7z664>

I'm very happy when I receive stations from all over the world. You can watch my collection of QSLs on my Facebook account "Ralf Cbdxer". I wish you all the best and all time good DX!!! kind regards, (Ralf Ladusch, Amalienstr. 7, 03044 Cottbus, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Dear Ralf, Thanks for the clip. Very interesting to hear how I sound over there, but it seems it must have been difficult to understand, or did it really sound better than the clip would indicate? There seemed to be a fast flutter, like a subaudible heterodyne. I wonder if some other station was underneath on the frequency. Both China and India should have faded out by then, if they had been on the air at all. I can see you had it set on the AM mode. I have the same receiver. Best wishes, (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Ralf replied that it did sound better than on the recording, as he was just putting mike to speaker (gh, DXLD)

WOR Cancellations --- Hi Everyone, Now that IRRS has dropped WOR in favor of religious programming, I will no longer listen. And WWCR's excuse for cancellation, due to comments about (Dr) Gene Scott, is crazy! (We no longer have freedom of speech?) There's a reason why religious radio is called by some "Dollar a holler" radio. These stations operate under the guise of "spreading the Almighty's" gospel, when in reality, they only care about the "almighty dollar." They are the worst offenders, of the very message they are trying to spread! (David Sharp, NSW Australia, June 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Any chance George at WTWW would put WOR on Transmitter #2 when it goes on the air? (Tom Nyberg, IA, ibid.) We hope (gh)

WRMI, 9955 and webcasts, has posted a new program schedule as of June 10, replacing the multiple airings of defunct 'DX Partyline', several

with 'Viva Miami', also a quarter-hour, some rearranged for 'Wavescan'; and WORLD OF RADIO winds up with two new airings, Saturdays at 1500, and Mondays at 1530. Harry Brooks in NE England has confirmed the new Saturday time. Note there are two more times on WRMI than the grid shows, as they are within WRN relay blox: Sat & Sun 1730

WORLD OF RADIO 1569 monitoring: first airing confirmed on WRMI webcast, Thursday June 16 at 2101. Then checked 9955 at 2118, and to my surprise also audible there poorly without jamming; or maybe masked by band noise.

Other times on WRMI: Fri 1430, Sat 0800, 1500, 1730, Sun 0800, 1530, 1730, Mon 1130, 1530, 2130, Tue 1530, Wed 1530, Thu 0330, 1500 for a total of fifteen chances. Thanks, Jeff!

The most reliable time in most of North America will probably now be on WWRB, UT Friday 0330v on 5050. Thanks, Dave! WBCQ 7415 airing not until next Wednesday at 2130 (or 2115 or 2100).

WWCR and IPAR have both canceled WORLD OF RADIO, which we explain at the beginning of 1569, plus some new DX info before repeating most of the content of 1568 which many listeners missed because of the abrupt removals from WWCR and IPAR (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1569 monitoring: June 17 at 2145 I get an e-mail from Allan Weiner of WBCQ: ``Hi Glenn, Sorry to hear what WWCR did. Not cool. Anyway, We have you scheduled Wednesdays 5:30-6 pm Eastern and Thursdays 5:30-6 pm Eastern on 7415. Hope that helps a bit. Allan``. And quickly confirmed on webcast, Thursday 2130 UT as well as Wednesday 2130. The Thursday broadcast should allow us to get the new edition on the air quickly. Thanks, Allan!

WOR also confirmed on WWRB, 5050, UT Friday 0331. Thanks, Dave!

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Last weekend we were away and did not even attempt to monitor WWCR at the times formerly broadcasting WORLD OF RADIO; however, Friday June 17 at 2030 on 15825 we have been ``Unshackled``! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15825, June 10 at 1300 inbooming to S9+25 with sporadic-E help, again producing the dirty scratchy spur field extending from 15635 to 15725, peaking around 15665.

15635-15690, approx. extent of WWCW distorted spur field from //
15825, very strong with Es, June 16 at 1351 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 12100, June 10 at 0520, WTWW, VG with Portuguese Bible
reading starting a capítulo 22. At 0614 retune, heard English words
with music ``512``, perhaps the tail of an ID which seem to run at odd
times like this rather than hourtops, and onward with Bible in English
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. 9330-CUSB, WBCQ continues missing for a few days,
no signal June 10 at 0528 or 1255. I have not checked further in the
daytime; could have been recurtailed to a few hours rather than 24/7,
but if it is completely off, now's our chance to hear SYRIA including
English at 21-22.

9330-CUSB, WBCQ back on air after missing several days, at least at
the times I had checked: June 12 at 0711, 1315, both with praise
music, presumably still GFRN.

Last week we found 9330 WBCQ missing for several days. John H Carver
explains in the dxldyg: ``Friday night on Allan Weiner Worldwide he
mentioned that he had left the station for a couple of days on an
errand and while gone three transmitters had gone down and he had
worked mostly nonstop till the day of his show repairing everything
that had broken.``

However, 9330 missing again at 1336 check June 18. [however2, back on
at 1545 check, also 15420-CUSB] (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** U S A. 9369.902, FBN, WTJC, Morehead City, evangelical sermon heard
at 1115 UT June 12. S=9+10dBm signal into Florida. And heavy same
signal distribution in 31 mb range. Heavy spurious splatter signals
noted also on 9321 to 9327, 9341 to 9357, as well as 9380 to 9399 kHz
range (Wolfgang B.schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** U S A [and non]. Cancelled transmissions of Your Family Radio:
1800-1900 7560 ERV 300 kW / 280 deg to WeEu Bulgarian, from June 1
1800-1900 7330 WER 100 kW / 105 deg to SEEu Romanian, from June 7
1800-1900 9600#ISS 500 kW / 155 deg to SoAf English#, from June 7
1800-1900 9925 WER 500 kW / 165 deg to SoAf English*, from June 7
1800-1900 11785 WER 500 kW / 168 deg to SoAf English+ from June 7
1900-2000 9505 NAU 500 kW / 170 deg to SoAf Kikongo, from June 7
1900-2000 9925 WER 500 kW / 150 deg to SoAf Kirundi, from June 7
1800-1900 9830 RMP 500 kW / 105 deg to SEEu English, from June 7
2000-2100 11690 ASC 250 kW / 027 deg to WeAf English, from June 7

2100-2200 15285 ASC 250 kW / 027 deg to WeAf Bambara, from June 7
 1800-1900 5840 MEY 100 kW / 345 deg to CeAf Kituba, from June 7
 1900-2000 9490 DHA 250 kW / 230 deg to CeAf Lingala, from June 7
 1800-1900 9490 MEY 100 kW / 005 deg to SoAf Kinyarwanda, from June 7
 1700-1800 17785 ASC 250 kW / 102 deg to SoAf Shona, from June 7
 1500-1600 12035 DHA 250 kW / 100 deg to SoAs Sinhala, from June 7
 1200-1300 17515 DHA 250 kW / 090 deg to SEAs Khmer, from June 7
 1200-1300 17545 DHA 250 kW / 090 deg to SEAs Lao, from June 7
 # not Sesotho * not Xhosa-Zulu + not Setswana
 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, June 9, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

? From June 7? I assume as usual this is ``official`` info rather than reality as surely most of these languages have been suspended since May 21 (gh, DXLD)

> Cancelled txions of YFR Family Radio:
 > 1800-1900 9925 WER 500 kW 165 deg to SoAF English*, from June 7

Heard today, 10 June 2011, at 1851 UTC with the usual song loop they have been playing on all relay frequencies ever since the world ended, SINPO 55433, so not quite cancelled! However, 9925 was empty after 1900 UTC, so that hour has indeed been cancelled.

Russian on 15600 (19-20 UTC), German on 15695 (20-21), and Polish on 18930 (20-21) are back with the regular programming, although I couldn't tell from the content whether it was produced pre- or post-rapture. But on FR's German website you can download all the June broadcasts as mp3, up to the one from tomorrow, while the message that the World will end on 21 May is still on there. 73, (Eike Bierwirth, Leipzig / Germany, JRC NRD-525 + DX-10 PRO dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Today - the 10th - I found that language services had returned to frequencies that had been carrying only music and English.
 As heard from about 0635 UT ---

5985 was in Spanish // 9505 and 9715
 7520 was playing mostly music with some English Bible readings // 11580 & 11530
 7730 was playing music when tuned - but not // 7520 - and after music theme at 0645 had Italian // 9985. At 0700 Polish.
 9355 and 9385 had French until 0700 when Italian was heard and now // 11580 (not sure about 11530 due QRM).
 9985 after Italian this one had Portuguese at 0700.
 Frequencies 6875 and 9680 were traceable but not readable.
 (Noel R. Green (NW England), June 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

HAROLD CAMPING SUFFERS STROKE; SPEECH AFFECTED

Christian Post, By Audrey Barrick, June 12, 2011

According to the Oakland Tribune, the Family Radio president was taken to the hospital Thursday night. As of Friday, Camping's neighbor told the Tribune that the 89-year-old preacher was doing OK. His speech, however, appears to be slurred... More here:
<http://www.christianpost.com/news/harold-camping-suffers-stroke-speech-affected-51102/>
(via Mike Terry, June 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

My own personal feeling about this is that I am really happy this happened to him. Really, it's too bad he didn't die. Maybe next time we'll be lucky enough to hear that he's dead from whatever health ailment happens next. Just my two cents (Dan Hensley, KC9NCF, 'Shortwaveamerica', Chicago IL, June 13, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Now now, I would not wish a stroke upon anyone. On the contrary, I wish him to live at least until October 21 in order to realize that he was wrong again. It also might give him time to beg forgiveness from all the people he misled, to put it mildly. (And pay them back monetarily? Ha.) (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Almost three weeks after the non-Rapture threw WYFR programming into chaos, mostly reverting to English instead of many other scheduled languages, June 10 some other tongues have begun to reappear, more or less where they were before:

0523, 9715 // 9505 in Spanish instead of // 9680 English.
0524, 9355 and 9385 Arabic, 9985 Spanish but not // 9715.
0605, 9985 Italian; 9355 and 9385 French
1307, 11970 French

A number of minor languages on relays have been canceled, according to research by Ivo Ivanov.

WYFR missing from all checked frequencies, June 13 at 0508: 9985, 9715, 9680, 9505, 9385, 9355; and at 0510 also gone from 7730, 7520, 6875, 5985, 5950, 5850. Power failure, major maintenance or the end of an era? That's a total of 12 frequencies, but I read somewhere they have 14 transmitters now. Certainly not due to propagation as neighbor 9955 WRMI was audible under jamming with Jeff in Spanish. And no, the era resumes, as had WYFR at next check 1130 with 5985 in hymn; 1135 with 9755 in Matthew 28; 1141 with 9625 in English over CBC, etc., etc. BTW, Harold Camping had a stroke on June 9 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1569, DX LISTENING DIGEST) A portent of things to go

Please note the following changes effective at 1600 UT 17 June 2011 to the 27 March to 30 October 2011 High Frequency Schedule for Family

Stations, Inc., WYFR.

	Freq (kHz)	Time (UTC)	Az(Degrees)	Zone(s)	Power
De1	5850	0500-1000	181	11	50
De1	5950	0300-0900	285	10	100
Add	5950	0300-0700	285	10	100
De1	5950	0900-1300	55	4,5,9	100
De1	5950	2200-0300	355	4,5,9	100
Add	5950	0145-0300	355	4,5,9	100
De1	5985	0300-1200	355	4,5,9	100
Add	5985	0300-0400	355	4,5,9	100
De1	5985	1200-1300	315	2	100
De1	5985	2000-0300	181	11	50
Add	5985	2145-0300	181	11	100
De1	6085	1000-1945	181	11	100
De1	6175	0900-1100	160	15	100
De1	6875	0300-0500	181	11	50
Add	6875	0300-0345	181	11	100
De1	6875	0500-1200	315	2	100
De1	6915	2100-0100	160	16	100
Add	6915	2245-0100	160	16	100
De1	6985	2245-0445	355	4,5,9	100
De1	7520	0500-0600	222	11	100
De1	7520	0600-0800	44	27	100
De1	7730	0300-0500	160	16	100
De1	7730	0500-0800	44	27	100
De1	7730	1100-1400	222	12	100
De1	9355	0400-0800	44	27	100
De1	9355	1100-1200	160	15	100
De1	9385	0445-0900	87	46	100
De1	9505	0000-0445	315	2	100
De1	9505	0445-1000	222	11	100
De1	9550	0800-1200	160	14	100
De1	9605	0800-1100	142	13	100
De1	9605	1100-1400	222	12	100
De1	9625	0800-1300	140	13	100
De1	9680	0145-0800	315	2	100
Add	9680	0145-0300	315	2	100
De1	9715	0300-1200	285	10	50
De1	9755	0900-1145	285	10	100
De1	9985	0300-0500	160	16	100
De1	11530	2300-0300	160	14	100
Add	11530	2300-0200	160	14	100
De1	9985	0500-0800	44	27	100
De1	11530	0345-0900	87	46	100
De1	11580	0500-0800	44	28	100
De1	11670	1400-1600	222	11	100
De1	11740	2145-2400	315	2	100

De1	11770	0800-1100	142	13	100
De1	11830	1300-1700	315	2	100
De1	11835	0000-0300	285	10	50
De1	11855	2000-0200	222	11	100
Add	11855	0045-0145	222	11	100
De1	11855	0800-1200	160	16	100
De1	11865	1300-1700	315	2	100
De1	11910	1300-1700	355	4,5,9	100
De1	11970	0800-1600	151	15	100
De1	13615	1700-2200	315	2	100
De1	13690	1700-2200	355	4,5,9	100
De1	13695	1200-1700	355	4,5,9	100
De1	13800	1200-1600	160	14	100
De1	15130	1200-2400	285	10	50
De1	15255	2200-0500	151	15	100
Add	15255	2200-0300	151	15	100
De1	15600	1845-2300	44	27	100
De1	15695	2000-2200	44	27	100
De1	15770	1200-1600	160	16	100
De1	15770	1600-1700	44	27	100
De1	15770	2100-2245	87	46	100
De1	17555	1200-1600	160	14	100
De1	17555	1600-2000	44	28	100
De1	17725	1700-0200	140	13	100
Add	17725	2145-0200	140	13	100
De1	17750	1700-2045	44	27	100
De1	17795	1200-2145	285	10	100
De1	17845	1800-2245	87	46	100
De1	17885	1700-1800	87	46	100
De1	18930	1600-2200	44	27	100
De1	18980	1400-1600	142	15	100
De1	18980	1600-2145	44	28	100
De1	21525	1600-2100	87	46	100
De1	21670	1600-1845	44	27	100 (Evelyn

Marcy, Okeechobee, June 17, tidied up by gh for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Revised WYFR A-2011 schedule --- FREQUENCY SORT

FREQ (KHZ)	TIME (UTC)	LANG	AZ
5985	2200-0200	SPAN	181
5985	0200-0245	ENGL	181
6875	0300-0345	SPAN	181
6915	2300-0045	SPAN	160
7520	2200-2300	SPAN	142
7520	2300-0000	PORT	142
7520	0000-0045	ENGL	142

7570	0100-0200	SPAN	160
9385	0200-0400	SPAN	222
11530	2300-0100	SPAN	160
11530	0100-0200	PORT	160
11550	0100-0145	PORT	142
11580	2300-0000	ENGL	160
11580	0000-0100	PORT	160
11580	0100-0300	SPAN	160
11740	0200-0300	SPAN	222
11740	0300-0400	ENGL	222
11740	0400-0500	SPAN	222
11855	0100-0145	SPAN	222
15190	2200-0045	PORT	142
15255	2200-2300	SPAN	151
15255	2300-0000	ENGL	151
15255	0000-0100	FREN	151
15255	0100-0300	SPAN	151
15440	2200-0200	SPAN	285
17725	2200-2300	PORT	140
17725	0000-0100	PORT	140
17725	0100-0145	SPAN	140

Revised WYFR A-2011 Schedule TIME SORT

[WYFR is now OFF THE AIR COMPLETELY between 0500 and 2200 UT! -- gh]

TIME (UTC)	LANG	FREQ (KHZ)	AZ
2200-2300	PORT	17725	140
2200-2300	SPAN	7520	142
2200-2300	SPAN	15255	151
2200-0045	PORT	15190	142
2200-0200	SPAN	5985	181
2200-0200	SPAN	15440	285
2300-0000	ENGL	11580	160
2300-0000	ENGL	15255	151
2300-0000	PORT	7520	142
2300-0045	SPAN	6915	160
2300-0100	SPAN	11530	160
0000-0045	ENGL	7520	142
0000-0100	FREN	15255	151
0000-0100	PORT	11580	160
0000-0100	PORT	17725	140

0100-0145	PORT	11550	142
0100-0145	SPAN	11855	222
0100-0145	SPAN	17725	140
0100-0200	PORT	11530	160
0100-0200	SPAN	7570	160
0100-0300	SPAN	11580	160
0100-0300	SPAN	15255	151
0200-0245	ENGL	5985	181
0200-0300	SPAN	11740	222
0200-0400	SPAN	9385	222
0300-0345	SPAN	6875	181
0300-0400	ENGL	11740	222
0400-0500	SPAN	11740	222

Revised WYFR A-2011 Schedule LANGUAGE SORT [but then, frequency order]

LANG	TIME (UTC)	FREQ (KHZ)	AZ
ENGL	0200-0245	5985	181
ENGL	0000-0045	7520	142
ENGL	2300-0000	11580	160
ENGL	0300-0400	11740	222
ENGL	2300-0000	15255	151
FREN	0000-0100	15255	151
PORT	2300-0000	7520	142
PORT	0100-0200	11530	160
PORT	0100-0145	11550	142
PORT	0000-0100	11580	160
PORT	2200-0045	15190	142
PORT	2200-2300	17725	140
PORT	0000-0100	17725	140
SPAN	2200-0200	5985	181
SPAN	0300-0345	6875	181
SPAN	2300-0045	6915	160
SPAN	2200-2300	7520	142
SPAN	0100-0200	7570	160
SPAN	0200-0400	9385	222
SPAN	2300-0100	11530	160
SPAN	0100-0300	11580	160
SPAN	0200-0300	11740	222
SPAN	0400-0500	11740	222
SPAN	0100-0145	11855	222
SPAN	2200-2300	15255	151
SPAN	0100-0300	15255	151

SPAN 2200-0200 15440 285
 SPAN 0100-0145 17725 140 (Evelyn Marcy, WYFR
 Okeechobee, June 17, tidied up by gh for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Revised A-2011 Frequency Schedule for WYFR effective 1600 UT ON JUNE
 17, 2011. [see analysis below]

FREQ	STRT	STOP	CIRAF	ZONES	POWR	AZIMUTH	ANT	LANG
5950	0300	0700	10	YFR	100	285	804	EN,MNA,EN,SP
5950	0145	0300	4,5,9	YFR	100	355	804	EN
5985	0300	0400	4,5,9	YFR	100	355	805	MNA
5985	2145	0300	11	YFR	100	181	805	SPB,SPA,SPB,SPA,ENA
6875	0300-0345		11	YFR	100	181	804	SPB
6915	2245	0100	16	YFR	100	160	902	SPB,SPA
7520	2200	0100	15	YFR	100	142	902	SPA,POA,ENB
7570	0100	0300	16	YFR	100	160	902	SPB,SP
7570	0400	0500	11	YFR	100	222	805	SP
9385	0200	0400	11	YFR	100	222	804	SPA,SPB
9680	0145	0300	2	YFR	100	315	804	EN
11530	2300	0200	14	YFR	100	160	902	SPB,SPA,POA
11550	0100	0145	13	YFR	100	142	902	POA
11580	2245	0300	15	YFR	100	160	902	ENB,POB,SPB,SPA
11740	0200	0500	11	YFR	100	222	804	SPA,ENA,SPB
11855	0045	0145	11	YFR	100	222	804	SPB
15190	2200-0100		13	YFR	100	142	902	POB,POA,POB
15255	2200	0300	15	YFR	100	151	804	SPA,ENB,FRB,SPB,SPA
15440	2145-0300		10	YFR	100	285	804	SPA,SPB,SPA,SPB,Ct/Hk
17725	2145	0200	13	YFR	100	140	902	POB,SP,POA,SPA

(Evelyn Marcy, WYFR Okeechobee, June 17, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Analysis of above: Taiwan relays are included, but not in the first
 three WYFR-only sorts before this. The 05-07 period is for RTI only.
 Note that the two 50 kW units are no longer listed, all 100 kW. Hour-
 by-hour total transmitter usage:

2145-2200 3 = warmup only?
 2200-2245 6
 2245-2300 8
 2300-2400 9
 0000-0045 9
 0045-0100 10
 0100-0145 9
 0145-0300 9
 0300-0400 5
 0400-0500 4
 0500-0700 1

The A and B after EN, SP and PO must mean two different program streams per language. Ct/Hk = Cantonese/Hakka from RTI (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The SW bands are drastically different now, lacking WYFR on up to 5 or 6 frequencies each! Effective June 17, WYFR has cut back to 22-05 UT only on up to 9 frequencies at once (plus one until 0700 with RTI relay, 5950). Now all night, in the morning and most of the day, WYFR is nowhere to be heard.

That opens many opportunities for other stations to glom onto needed frequencies, especially US outlets as the abandoned ones have already been 'cleared' by FCC and HFCC. It also resolves many clashes about which nothing was ever done before; e.g., see UK 17795. 9625 no longer blocking CBCNQ. 11830 no longer colliding with Cuba after 1300, etc., etc., etc. We could still hear YFR via TAIWAN 11535 before 1300 June 18.

The full new schedule has already been published and analyzed in the DXLD yahoogroup. Here's the condensed version: [as just above]

YFR has also made drastic reductions in overseas relays, but quite a few remain (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. Additional eliminated transmissions of Family Radio

YFR Family Radio via MBR:

1800-1900	9635	WER	250	kW	/	225	deg	SoEu	Spanish,	cancelled	June	14
1800-1900	7330	WER	100	kW	/	105	deg	SEEu	Romanian,	cancelled	June	14
1800-1900	3975	WER	250	kW	/	non-dir		SEEu	English on air	not	Hungarian	
1900-2000	3975	WER	250	kW	/	non-dir		SEEu	Serbian,	cancelled	June	14

YFR Family Radio via CIS txs:

1900-2000	9850	ARM	100	kW	/	325	deg	NWEu	Swedish,	cancelled	June	14
2000-2100	9850	ARM	100	kW	/	325	deg	NWEu	English,	cancelled	June	14
1800-1900	9615	ERV	300	kW	/	305	deg	WeEu	Polish,	cancelled	June	14
1800-2000	9390	A-A	300	kW	/	301	deg	WeEu	German,	cancelled	June	14
2000-2100	9390	A-A	300	kW	/	301	deg	WeEu	French,	cancelled	June	14
1900-2000	6065	KCH	500	kW	/	270	deg	WeEu	Italian,	cancelled	June	14
2000-2200	7540	A-A	300	kW	/	301	deg	WeEu	English,	cancelled	June	14
1400-1500	9900	A-A	100	kW	/	132	deg	SoAs	Nepali,	cancelled	June	13
1400-1500	12065	ARM	300	kW	/	110	deg	SoAs	Urdu,	on air		
1500-1600	12065	ARM	300	kW	/	110	deg	SoAs	Urdu,	cancelled	June	14
1500-1600	11655	ARM	300	kW	/	110	deg	SoAs	English on air,	not	Marathi	
1600-1700	9735	ARM	300	kW	/	110	deg	SoAs	Punjabi,	cancelled	June	13

73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, June 15, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WYFR Family Radio via MBR:

1700-1900 11600 WER 250 kW / 060 deg EaEu Russian, deleted
 1900-2000 11840 NAU 500 kW / 205 deg WeAf French, deleted
 1800-1900 9600 ISS 500 kW / 155 deg SoAf English, not Sesotho,
 deleted
 1800-1900 11785 WER 500 kW / 168 deg SoAf English, not Setswana,
 deleted
 1900-2000 9505 NAU 500 kW / 170 deg SoAf Kikongo, deleted
 1900-2000 9925 WER 500 kW / 150 deg SoAf Kirundi, deleted
 1700-1800 11760 WER 500 kW / 105 deg WeAs Kurdish, deleted
 0100-0200 9830 GUF 250 kW / 306 deg CeAm Creole, deleted
 0200-0300 6100 GUF 500 kW / 215 deg SoAm English, deleted
 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, June 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WYFR Family Radio via CIS txs:

1000-1100 7245 K/A 100 kW / 178 deg EaAs Japanese, deleted
 1000-1200 9450 IRK 250 kW / 110 deg EaAs English/Korean, deleted
 1200-1300 5970 K/A 250 kW / 313 deg EaAs Korean, deleted
 1100-1200 9900 VLD 250 kW / 220 deg SEAs Illocano, deleted
 1200-1300 9465 IRK 250 kW / 152 deg SEAs Cebuano, deleted
 1200-1300 15490 NVS 250 kW / 155 deg SEAs Thai, deleted
 1200-1400 9615 IRK 500 kW / 180 deg SEAs Indonesian, deleted
 1200-1400 11895 IRK 250 kW / 180 deg SEAs Vietnamese, deleted
 1400-1500 9615 IRK 500 kW / 180 deg SEAs in English, deleted
 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, June 17, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A [non]. 17535, June 16 at 1223 poor signal with fadeouts, OM
 English with accent I can't place about Ephesians; 1227 YL joins in
 alternating, 1228 ending program as Adventist World Radio, addresses
 in India, ``we wish you good health and a happy home``; music fill
 until 1230, AWR, Voice of Hope IDs and IS, in English, French, another
 fading language, Italian? But 1231 in English introduces program in
 another language, listed Bengali; all due east from Wertachtal,
 GERMANY with 250 kW, per HFCC which also shows this colliding with
 Riyadh, Saudi Arabia at 1200-1400, 500 kW at 100 degrees, but no sign
 of that (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. RADIO STATION SPLIT CREATES HOUSTON RECEPTION WOES
<http://www.chron.com/disp/story.mpl/life/main/7601591.html>

Houston Public Radio is getting static from listeners who can't pick up its new classical music station.

Until last month, KUHF-FM broadcast a mix of news and classical music.
 That changed May 16 when it split into two stations, offering 24-hour
 news and information at the original 88.7-FM and 24/7 classical music
 at 91.7 (KUHA-FM.)

The problem for some listeners is that the new station, which the

University of Houston purchased from Rice University, operates at only 50,000 watts. The original 88.7 broadcasts at 100,000 watts.

"The frequencies are set by the FCC and can't be changed," said Emily Binetti, the station's spokeswoman. "Technical factors, such as the strength of the signal and height and location of the antenna are all pre-set when you buy a station. We've been getting 15 to 20 calls a day since May 16, and we try to work with listeners, troubleshooting ways to improve their reception. There's no one solution because it's different in every case, depending on location and what kind of radio they're using."

Binetti said the station is exploring ways to improve the 91.7 signal. One would involve installing a piece of equipment called a translator near the Texas Medical Center, which would boost the signal's power in the Bellaire, Meyerland and West University areas.

For those who can't get the new station and choose not to listen through the Internet, where both stations are available at <http://www.kuhf.org> the simplest solution is to purchase an HD radio. In the digital format, the stations are available as 88.7 HD-1 (news) and 88.7 HD-2 (classical), with a third option, KUHF Global, at 88.7 HD-3. Portable HD radios cost between \$50-\$70, and HD car radios are about \$90, a Best Buy saleswoman said.

For assistance with reception problems, call KUHA at 713-743-0887. (via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

One possible solution would be to flip the station formats so that the music, which needs to have a better s/n ratio, is on 88.7 (100kw at 1719' HAAT). The news/talk format on 91.7 (50kw at 492' HAAT) could then be operated in mono which would improve the s/n ratio in the receiver. Supposedly mono improves the s/n ratio by 6 dB. JL (Jerry Lenamon, Waco, *ibid.*)

Jerry, I am not a radio engineer. I am a test engineer. I have heard this and believe it to be true but I defer to you radio engineers on this. Is it true that going from stereo to mono will just about double the range of your signal? (Kevin Redding, *ibid.*)

Not really. Operating in stereo definitely adds a noise penalty, especially in areas with lots of multipath, and back in the days of home component tuners, some FM stations ran mono to better reach fringe listeners.

But: you can overcome that noise penalty simply by switching off stereo at the receive end, too. Back in the day, that required listeners to manually flip the mono-stereo switch, if their receiver

even had one. Today, though, most car radios nowadays auto-blend weak signals to mono anyway, so the end result for fringe-signal listeners is a mono signal even if the station is transmitting in stereo.

In the case of the Houston stations, the 91.7 signal just isn't a full-market facility. It started out as a fairly low-power operation on the Rice U. campus, but was moved way north of town as part of an arrangement that moved in a new rimshot signal on 92.1 south of Houston. Even with 50,000 watts from the new facility, KTRU still couldn't cover the whole sprawling market, which is why they needed a translator on the Rice campus.

88.7 is the only full-market signal KUHF has, and they'd be crazy to flip it away from their primary format, which is news-talk. The classical is also on 88.7-HD2, and I'm pretty sure the KUHF folks are working hard to get radios into the hands of listeners who need them on the south side of the market. s (Scott Fybush, NY, *ibid.*)

** VATICAN. June 9 at 1555 noted Vatican R in Arabic on 14775. Faded out around 1558. Tuning up the band noted Vatican R in Swahili (presumably) on 14800 at 1600. Someone with latest scheds and calculator could tell us what are the basic frequencies for mix? 73, (Jari in Finland Savolainen, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Usual intermodulation formula mixture on two different service on same meterband from SMG Santa Maria de Galeria site, CVA VAT.

VATICAN RADIO til Sept 4

15185	1550-1610	Armenian	250	89	a11-Sep.4
15185	1610-1638	Russian	250	67	a11-Sep.4

15570	1600-1615	7 Swahili	500	135	a11
15570	1600-1630	123456. Swahili	500	135	a11
15570	1615-1630	7 Somali	500	135	a11

15595	1600-1615	French	250	107	a11
15595	1615-1630	English	250	107	a11

15185 x 2 = 30370
minus 15595

Arabic 14775

15595 x 2 = 31190
minus 15185

Armenian 16005

15185 x 2 = 30370
minus 15570

Swahili 14800

15570 x 2 = 31140
minus 15185

Armenian 15955

vy73 wb df5sx (Wolfgang B,schel, ibid.)

Thank you Wolfie, Professor of Mixing Product Formulas. Respect (Jari Savolainen, ibid.)

** VENEZUELA [non]. Excuses, excuses, for no ``Alô, Presidente``. This week June 12 El Hugazo is recovering from surgery in Cuba; but when he did do a show last week on TV, RHC failed to SW relay it. Did not even bother to check frequencies this week (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9805, June 10 at 0633, big open carrier with some hum. Probably Greenville-B tuning up for much later R. Marti broadcast from 0900; France in Hausa was scheduled here until 0630 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. 15795, 1920 Brother Stair, 5/23 (Larry Russell, MI, MARE Tipsheet June 17 via DXLD)

Is this WWCR or from AIA? EiBi lists this as WYFR but that can't be right -- can it? Bro Scare on Bro Camping's mouthpiece? It is POLITICS that makes strange bedfellows, not religion. Er... maybe I shouldn't go there! :) -kvz (Kenneth Vito Zichi, MI, MARE Tipsheet June 17 via DXLD)

Tsk2, people who don't read DXLD or my almost-daily log reports: was WWRB on new frequency, but vanished after a few days and Dave still hasn't told us what happened to it (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 15930, 1920-1930, Jun 09, talk in Chinese, not // with CNR1 jammer, 44444 (Leonardo Bolli, Matelica, MC, Italy, DSWCI DX Window June 15 via DXLD)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS See ITALY non; USA  
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## CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

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### DXING MAKES IT TO THE PCA

Steven Greenyeris eulogy to Tiwai (May DXT) reminds me of an opportunity I recently had to bring the demise of the fabled listening site to the attention of a conference audience in the USA. I was attending the (April, 2011) Popular Culture Association (PCA) convention in San Antonio, Texas and was both surprised and delighted to hear a young US academic [who??] speaking on the subject Disembodied Voices and Dislocated Signals: The World of Modern-Day DXing. The presenter was not a DXer himself, but was involved in Greek language ethnic radio in the USA and had received listening reports from DXers. This led him to an interest in the field and to undertake an academic overview of the hobby.

His discourse was fascinating and I found myself nodding in agreement with most of his research findings. In terms of what was DXing, he indicated that both the amateur radio aspect of the hobby and shortwave/broadcast band listening could be included in the definition. On the subject of gender, he told us what we already know, namely that DXing is largely a male-oriented hobby, that 85% of ham radio operators are male and that an interest in the hobby is often passed down from father to son. He felt that we have a strong sense of community with a rich set of traditions and social conventions and he rhetorically asked whether this was a reflection of yearning to contact diverse groups of people outside our immediate environment.

We have high levels of technical ingenuity, but I wonder how many of us fit the negative stereotype he gave of the hobby. Apparently, this paints us as being anti-social, nerdy, dorky, geeky, largely white and middle-aged, overweight, etc. During the Q&A session after the presentation, I took to the floor and outed myself as a DXer, much to the delight of my academic friends and colleagues. I indicated that I fitted some of the stereotypes, but that he would have to ask my wife about the anti-social aspect. I then told the conference of the demise of the famous Tiwai listening site. I recounted my own experience in having visited Tiwai (sadly, on only one occasion) and I also paid homage to the many top-class NZ DXers who had made so many loggings from the site. I mentioned the NZRDXL as being one of the few remaining DXing organizations still publishing regular magazines and I gave a brief overview of the proud history of our League (Martin Hadlow, Brisbane, Australia, June NZ DX Times via DXLD)

Tiwai was a DX-pedition location which is no longer available (gh)

### RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM

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RESTRUCTURING: RADAR COULD COME TO 60 [sic] METERS  
Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1765 ñ June 10 2011

The 60 meter ham radio allocation could come under threat from low frequency RADAR. The ARRL and Southgate news both report that the United States has submitted a National Telecommunications and Informational Agency developed plan that could see 5.250 to 5.450 MHz being co-allocated to High Frequency Radar systems.

The NTIA proposals would see Radiolocation getting primary allocations that would include at 5.250 to 5.450 MHz as well as 14.350 to 14.990 MHz along with a number of others across the entire High Frequency spectrum. This would not only mean sharing or giving up 5 MHz, but it would also place wideband noise generating signals directly adjacent to the 20 meter band as well.

While there is no international allocation to the Amateur Service in the 5.250 to 5.450 MHz band, the United States and a growing number of other nations world-wide have authorized at least limited amateur operations on a non-interference basis to this spectrum

The full story is on-line at the ARRL website. You can get directly to it by using the shortcut of <http://tinyurl.com/LFRADAR> (Southgate, ARRL, others via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See also NEW ZEALAND; PORTUGAL; SAUDI A  
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SO WHERE ARE THE RADIOS?

One of the most-asked questions about DRM is, iWhere are the radios?i Michel Penneroux had the onerous task of explaining to NASB annual meeting participants why it has been so difficult to convince manufacturers to mass produce these receivers at a reasonable price. Michel was wearing three hats at this meeting: Chairman of the DRM's Commercial Committee, adviser to TDF (where he was formerly in charge of shortwave broadcasting) and head of his own company ñ Linamics Ltd. -- which is attempting to stimulate mass production of a low-cost DRM receiver.

Michel explained that some of the reasons why it has taken so long to get low-cost mass-produced DRM receivers in the marketplace are the high performance needed to fully benefit from the DRM standard, the lack of necessary components until recently, and the absence of investment to speed the DRM receiver production process. But he said that inow the conditions are there, and on top of them the requests

from important customers are rising. It has become urgent to answer these requests and to place the first order.î

Michel said that the various players in the receiver industry need facts, such as the markets where investments are being made in DRM networks, official announcements of permanent DRM transmissions, decisions about the types of receivers to be produced (audio only, multimedia and/or car receivers), the price range, volumes, time schedule and firm commitments from purchasers.

The most important markets for DRM's immediate future, in Michel's estimation, are Russia (needing a few hundred thousand receivers), India (probably big but no firm figures yet), South Africa and Iran (also a few hundred thousand receivers for each country). The next most important markets in the short term are Europe ( France, Germany, Spain, Italy, the U.K. and Belgium ), Canada and Brazil. In countries like Russia, Iran and South Africa, Michel revealed that retailers are ready to commit to purchase about 500,000 receivers over the next 12 months.

The Linamics company, based in Hong Kong, hopes to place the first major order for the industry. Its objective is to centralize all orders in one place in order to produce a large enough order to get a manufacturer to produce the product, and to supervise the process as it moves along. The value of the first order would be 3.4 million U.S. dollars ñ enough to produce 170,000 receivers at a cost of US\$20 each, with an estimated sale price of US\$50 per radio. This would be an audio-only receiver, and the chip (IC) would have a cost of US\$7 each. A second option would be for a receiver with multimedia capabilities.

Option 1 would be a pocket-size receiver which would save energy by using headphones, like an iPod, with an anticipated delivery time of 15-18 months. If an initial order could be made by June 2011, for example, delivery could be made in time for Christmas sales in 2012. Michel outlined in detail the whole design, testing and production process. He said that the actual manufacturing of the 170,000 receivers would only take about one month.

Option 2 would require several extra steps to produce a receiver with multimedia functionality. The chip for this one would cost about US\$10 each, and the cost of the investment would be at least another US\$500,000. Companies, radio stations or organizations which might be interested in investing in this project should contact Michel Penneroux at [globalradios@hotmail.com](mailto:globalradios@hotmail.com) or by telephone at +336-8541-1096 (Jeff White, June NASB Newsletter via DXLD)

PROPAGATION

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The geomagnetic field ranged from quiet to minor storm levels during the period. Activity on 06 June began at unsettled to active levels, with an isolated minor storm at high latitudes, due to the continued effects of a coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) and the arrival the 02 June CME. On 07 June, solar wind speeds, as measured by the ACE spacecraft, increased from 380 km/s to around 480 km/s, following a density spike. These characteristic appear to be the arrival of another CH HSS. From 07- 09 June, activity stayed at quiet to active levels with an isolated minor storm period from 08/0000-0300Z as effects of the CH HSS continued. On 10 June, quiet to unsettled levels were observed with an isolated minor storm period at high latitudes as measurements by the ACE spacecraft indicate the likely arrival of the CME from 07 June. Quiet to active levels were observed from 11-12 June, as a solar sector boundary crossing was observed, preceding another CH HSS.

#### FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 15 JUNE - 11 JULY 2011

Solar activity is expected to be at very low levels with a slight chance for C-class flares during 15-20 June. Activity is expected to increase to low to moderate levels, with a slight chance for M-class flares during 22 June - 04 July, as old Region 1226 returns. Very low to low levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at high levels from 15-18 June. Normal to moderate levels are expected from 19 - 22 June. An increase to high levels from 23 - 27 June is forecast. Normal to moderate levels are expected for the remainder of the period.

The geomagnetic field is expected to decrease to mostly quiet levels during 15-21 June. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels on 22 - 25 June, due to a CH HSS. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels from 26 June - 01 July. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels, with isolated active levels from 02 - 03 July, as another CH HSS becomes geoeffective. Activity is expected to decrease to predominantly quiet levels from 04 - 07 July. Activity is expected to increase to quiet to unsettled levels on 08-09 July as a CH HSS moves into a geoeffective position. Predominantly quiet levels are expected for the remainder of the period

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| #    | UTC    | Radio Flux | Planetary | Largest  |
|------|--------|------------|-----------|----------|
| #    | Date   | 10.7 cm    | A Index   | Kp Index |
| 2011 | Jun 15 | 91         | 8         | 3        |
| 2011 | Jun 16 | 93         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 17 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 18 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 19 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 20 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 21 | 97         | 8         | 3        |
| 2011 | Jun 22 | 97         | 8         | 3        |
| 2011 | Jun 23 | 100        | 12        | 3        |
| 2011 | Jun 24 | 105        | 15        | 3        |
| 2011 | Jun 25 | 105        | 10        | 3        |
| 2011 | Jun 26 | 105        | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 27 | 100        | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 28 | 100        | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 29 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jun 30 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 01 | 95         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 02 | 95         | 8         | 3        |
| 2011 | Jul 03 | 93         | 8         | 3        |
| 2011 | Jul 04 | 90         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 05 | 90         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 06 | 88         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 07 | 85         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 08 | 85         | 7         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 09 | 85         | 7         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 10 | 88         | 5         | 2        |
| 2011 | Jul 11 | 90         | 5         | 2        |

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